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Att a Town Metting March 2^{d} 1730/3d for the Chusing Town Officirs and other Town Bisnis according to Warrant Capt. Samuell Kemball Chosen Moderator for Said Meting) (for Selectmen. Ebonezer ffiske John Kemball Phinias Dodge John Dodge Samuell Gott are Chosen for the yeare In Suing all Sworne by Phinx Dodge for Town Clarke Capt William Rogers is Chosen Sworne — — Edmond Kemball Chosen Constable for the west End of our Town Sworne Zacheus Goldsmith Chosen Constable for the East End of our Town Sworne Ensigne Thomas Tarbox Chosen for Town Treasuer Sworne Ebonezer Batcheler John Gott Richard Dodge Chosen for survaiers of — hige wayes for the yeare In Suing and are all Sworne:

Theophilus ffiske Joseph Hadgis Moses Mithell Chosen Survaiers of fences for the year In Suing Sworne Except Joseph haggit

John Moulton Thomas perkins Nathanill Kemball Chosen tithing men Sworne

Jonathan Kemball Chosen Sealor of Lather and Sworne— David Batheler Chosen sealer of waits and masuers Sworne — —

Mark Batheller Chosen hogwrefe Sworn Isaac Daye Chosen hogwrefe Sworne Voted to prosecut the appeall which is Concening our presentment — —

Voted To pay Mr William ffairfield the Sum of Eaight pound to prosecut the appeal as agent

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Att a Legal Town Metting May the 14th 1731 of Wenham William Rogers; Chosen Representative:

Capt Samuell Kemball Chosen Moderator for this metting:

It was put to the Town wather the Town would: allow To Mr Wood fiften pounds and it passed on the nagitive:

It was put to the Town wather the Toune Would allow Mr Wood ten pounds and it past on the Efermitive;

It was put to the Town wather the Town Would Leave to the selectmen about a School and it past on the Nagitive

It was pout to the Town wather I was past To the Town Wather the Town would have a School in our Town and it past on the Efermitive:

Boston May 26 1731 Recived of the trustees of £60000 for wenham of M[r] Sam[l] Kimball nine pounds nine Shillings and eaight pence Interst to him £9–9: 8 next for M Treasuer Allin Isaac Allen

Attest William Rogers Town Clarke

Agred with M[r] Danill Dodge : to Keep School for our Town untill: the first Day: of March next Coming after the Date here offer thirty Six pounds and from him past from May Last past Which was agred on By Both partys ——

At a metting of the Selectmen September 16: 1731 as wittenes our hands — —

Dan[l] Dodge

Ebeneer ffiske
John Kimball
Phinehas Dodge)
John Dodge)
Sam[ll] Gott)Selectmen

Att a Metting of our Town Legelly Warned and convened September 16: 1731 Capt Samuell Kemball Chosen Moderator for this Meting

Voted that peteculer persons shall have Leberty to purchis the Books of M[r] Baxtere

Voted to Raies 170 pound to Defray the Towne charges

Wenham 1731 Att a Town Meting In ansur to the Request of the honerable house to give thayer Reppresantitive InStruction In their defuculty In the supply of the Tresuery in ansuer Where unto noted that now having Chosen a Representitive Do Leave : it to his faithful nes and Discreshion Will so act for us

Fabruary 22 1731/2 then Received of M[r] William ffairfield one of the Trustees of the 60000 pound Lone the Touns part which is 4–14–10 which is for the use

a true Coppy of the original Recaight

Thomas Tarboxs Town Trusuer
Attest William Rogers Town Clarke
Boston August 17 1731

Received of Mr John Batcheler Constable of Wenham thirty two Pounds Eleven Shillings in full for Mr Treasuer Allen
£32–11

a tru copy of the origanal recaids Eben Swan
Attest William Rogers Town Clarke

Boston January 27th 1731 Recived of Mr Edward Walderon Constable of Wenham Eight Pounds Ten Shillings in full by Mrs Hannah Kemball for Mr Treasuer Allin
Eben Swan

£8 : 10 — a tru Coppy of the origenall Recait Att test William Rogers Towne Clarke

fabruary 22 1731/2 Recived of Constable John Batcheller the sum of five pounds foreteen Shillings and Seven pence Which is In ffull of all his Rate By Me— Thomas Tarbox Town Treasuer

A tru coppe of the origanall Recaight
Att test William Rogers Town Clarke

fabruary 22 1731/3

Recived of Constable Edward Waldoren the sum of Two pounds Eaighteen Shillings and one paney In full by Me: Thomas Tarboxe Town Treasuer

A true coppy of the origenall Recait
Att test William Rogers Town Clarke

Att a Town Metting Legualy Warned and convened To chuse Town officers in our Town March the 7 1731/2

Cap Samuell Kemball Chosen Moderator for this Metting Leutenant William Dodge. Capt William Rogers Jonathan Kemball Robert Cue and John Gott are Chosen Selectmen

Capt William Rogers Chosen Town Clarke: Sworn to said office : the same day Captaien Samuell Kemball Chosen Town Treasuer and Sworne : to said office Sam Day

Jon Baker Chosen Constable for the west End of our Town Sworne the Same Day

Richard Dodge Chosen Constable for the East End of our Town Sworne the Same Day
Caleb Coye : coy : chosen survayer of high wayes sworne the same day Capt William William Rogers and Ensign Thomas Tarbox Chose survaier of higways
at a metting of the selectmen March: 13 1731/2 Capt William Rogers Ensign Thomas Tarbox John Herricke Danill ffiske Sworn Thomas dodge Chosen Tyehingmen Sworn
Jonathan Kemball Chosen Sealor of Lather Sworne the Same Day Daniel Batcheler Chosen Sealler of waits and masurers Sworne the Same Day
John Dodge John Killem Chosen hogeReffs Sworn the Same Day Capt Samuel Kemball Capt William Rogers Nathanill Browne are chosen a Committe to adjust the accounts with Mr William fairfield a bout a persentment Capt Samuel Kemball Capt William Rogers Leu^{t} William Dodge Mr Nathanill Walderon Mr Nathanill Brown chosen a committee : to seat our metting hous
It was put To the Town Wather they will Chues a committee to seate the metting house and it past on the nagative But after Sum Discord the Town chose a committee to Seat our meting house:
Benjamin Edwards
John Kemball
John Gott — —
the same day: Sworne:
Chosen fence viers and Sworne
Att of metting of the Selectmen March the: 13 1731/2 Then agreed with: Samuell Tarbox to Keep the metting house; and Riging the bell and to have: this Sum of three – pounds for the sarvis above said
Att a metting of the Selectmen Aprill the 17 1732 agreed with Samuell Tarbox to Keep the pound

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Att a Legell Town Metting May the 19 1732 Convened to gather Decon William ffairfield Chosen Representive Decon William ffairfield: Chosen moder atore : for this metting:
Voted to pay the Revernd Mr Robert Ward To wards

his support the sum of Twenty pounds in province Bills Voted to Leave it in the descertion of the Selectmen about a Skool In ou town:

June the Second 1732 Att A Metting of the Selectmen of Wenham then layed oute a high Waye Begining att : a : Gate : By Rice : Knowltons and so Be three pole wide all a Long : to farmer Weste farme : as: is: Left By the proprietors as May nowe att Large approve By Record In our Records of the proprietors. But Where: as: it: is: Thought: to: Be More conveniant By Reason: of: a Bad Hill att Graville Brooke it: is agreed: on: Between : the Select Men : and Rice Knowlton that the way shall Be : on the South Side : of the Said hill: By this Swamp side : Begining att a Savin Bush: By the Stone wall: on the North Side of the ould highway and So xstening
three Pole to a heep of stones southerly of said Bush : then aLong By the Edge of the — Swamp: By the Upland a Long by the Edg of the Upland Runing Easterly over Graville Brook to a Stone Set up: on the South Sid of Thomas Edwards Ston Wall aboute Eaight feet then over the ould Road northerly from Said Stone to a Ston Wall and the Said Rice Knowlton to have the ould high way in satisfaxtion for this new one : and this high way is to be where the survayers Shall think Best and most Convenient and the said Rice Knowlton doth for himself and his heirs — Except of that part of the ould high way against the new high way as Satisfaction as wittenes my hand and seall it is to be under stud that the new highwaye is to be three pole wide from the Lower — sid next to the swamp: on the south sid of said way Exstening three poles wid northward of the south sid of said waye as the said waye now is

	William Rogers	}
	William Dodge	}
Rice Knowlton	Jonathan Kimball	} SelectMen
	John Gott	}
	Rolean Cue	

Att a meting of the Select Men Wenham June : 2 : 1732 agreed that the Town Suvayer shall Com to the grate Rock By Pheninas Dodges Corner of Land threw the Swampe and the neck survayer to cum to the grat Rock by Phineas Dodges Corner all so gave order to the Town Clark to draw a warrant to warne John Johnson and Mary his wife out of Town and a Returne made by John Baker Constabl June: 5 1732 an order given to the Toune Clarke to draw a warrant to warne one Thomas Holbert and Margrit his wife out of Toun aboute May the 19 1732
And a Return made By John Bauer Constable: Jne: the: 5: 1732

Wenham June 2: 1732 Att a Meting of the Selectmen then agreed with William Rogers to Keep School In our Town untill the Last of october next Ensuing the date here of and to have: Resonable Satisfaction for his pains

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Att a Legall Town Metting Duly Warned and Convened on this 4 day of July 1732 to supply the pulpit and Raies mony: for the Same M^{r} wood being indisposed
Mr Danill Dodge: Chosen Moderator for the Metting
Voted Chuse : five persons to be a comittee to supply the pulpit
Voted To Chues Decon Dodge and Nathanill Waldron Decon ffairfield Mr Thomas White Mr Nathanill Brown to Be a comitte: to Supply the Pulpit
Voted To Raies mony to supply the Pulpit
Voted to Raies 30 = 0 = 0 pound money for the Towns use
July 4; 1732 To the Town of wenham the Humbel Pettion of William Rogers is that he may have the Consent of the : Town to Be an In holder in our Town he having had In courragement from Select men and having Con sane for the same and your petetiner shall Employ William Tarbox
this petetion was granted By a Written not by a great majority Every vote

July the 25 : 1732 Att a Meting : of the commitee : to adjust the amount With : Mr William ffairfield: Concerning the present men against our town sum time: past: and: Do: allow: Said ffairfield: the sum of nine pound twelve shillings he haveing Received : of said sum Eaight pounds of Said Sum an Remains yet due the sum of thirty two shillings: —

William Rogers
Nathaniel Brown } Committee:
Samuell Kemball

July 31 1732 Att a Metting of the Towne Deuly Warned and convened Deacon William ffairfield: Chosen moderator Mr Thomas White: Ensign Thomas Tarbox Mr Samuel Gott Chosen a committee to joyne with the Churches Committee Decon William ffairfield Deacon Danill Dodge — Capt Samuell Kimball Mr Nathanill Brown

Voted to allow : Sumthing towarde the Reverend Mr Roberd Warde finerel Charges

Voted to allow Twenty pounds Towarde Mr Warde finer Charges of the p.

Voted a Weakly Contributon to be used To Wards the supply of the pulpit and the — committee: to dispose of the same towarde the to warde the supplying the pulpit and the Twenty pound to Be put into the hands Committee to se it paid for the End it was voted for.

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oct the 5: th 1732 at a church metting warned and agreed on By the Church: being mett to ga ther By theme: vote: made Chooyc of Mr John Warrin to Be theyer pastor the above is a true Copy out of Wenham Church:

Record Kept by the Deacons attest William ffairfield Deacon:

the above is a true Coppy of the Coppy: upon Church Record attest William Rogers Town Clerk

att a Town metting october 10 1732 Decon William ffairfield chosen moderator

Voted to concur in the Churches Choice: of Mr John Warren to Be thayer minister By a grat majority

Att a metting of the Committee Chosen By the Town for the Supplying the Pulpit in our town order to Satisfying Mr Broudstnt for preaching with us Nine Days at thirty shillings ꝑe day there being dew to him the sum of £13–10–0 These are there fore to Request of the Select Men to draw: an order on the Town Tresuer for the same
Wenham Dated August 9 1732
a coppy of the
origenall
att test:
William Rogers
Town Clerk

Danll Dodge
William ffairfield
Nathaniel Brown
Thomas Tarbox
Samuell Gott

Eliciah ffairfield has Taken up a Stray horse of a blackesh culler — a Bushy or Short taill a Littll white spot over the Left: Eye:
october 18 1732 and posted

Att a Legell Metting Deuly warned and Convened on this 27 Day of october 1732 Decon William ffairfield chosen moderator for this metting:
Voted to grant to Mr John Warrin the Sum of one hundred and thirty Pounds for a yerly Sallery to gather with a weekly Contribution and the parsonage
Voted to grant Mr John Warrin: the sum of two hundred pounds for a settelment In our Town In Bills of Credit to Be paid one hundred pounds this year and one hundred pounds the next year
Voted the Commite: that was for Church and Town one to Stand and one Chosen to Be a Committe to treat with Mr John Warren aboute a Settelment In the Towns Behalfe:
November 27 – 1732: att a Legell Town Meting Duly

warned and Convened Decon William ffairfield Chosen moderator Voted to Raies 230 – 0 – 0 – for the Touns use:
Votted that the Town will fence the personage a Land and In order there unto Votted to Chues William Rogers Capt Kimball Leu^{t} William Dodge To Be a Committe to Divid the personag fence — with the adjasent persons or proprietors and to masur the Towns part: and to set and Estamate a Sofitient Price for a ston wall by the pole and to Returne an account to the Select Men who shall mak a rate upon the Inhabitants and Estats in our Town for defraying the charges of fenceing the pasonage : and who so Ever Shall Make up his or her proporsition then of By the first day of aprill wich will be In the year one thousand seven hundred and thirty four shall have thayer Rates Crossed there upon and upon theyer failing by the space of one month at for the said day thayer Rate Shall have their Rats taken by disttres and the Committe to se or cause theyer proportions to be made up with the Same:

June : the 6:th 1729 Received of M^{r} ffairfield the Sum of one pound thirteen shillings for the use of the Town of Wenham By me Ro^{bt} Bull a true Entry of the origanall Recaipt attest William Rogers Town Clark

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Boston August 4th Recived of Mr William ffairfield of the trustees of the Town of Wenham nine pounds nine Shillings and Eaight pence a years Interest to the 1 of June: 1729 of the Touns proportion to the £60000 granted November 1729:
a coppy of the ℔ Jar: Allin Traser
origanall Recaipt
Attest William Rogers Town Clarke
£9–9–8

Boston September 18th 1730 – Recived of Mr William ffairfield one of the trustees — £60000 for Wenham nine pounds nine shillings and eaight pence being: yr A & C

Interest to June 1730 for Mr Isreal Allen Jerimiah Allin
£9–9–8

Boston october 9th 1730 Recived of Mr Joseph Edwards Constable of Wenham by Mrs Kemball Sixteen pounds In full Jer Allin Treasuer

a copy of the origel Recaipt

£16–0–0 Attest William Rogers
Town Clerk

Boston august–30th 1732:
Recived of the Trustees of Wenham By Mr William ffairfield nine pounds nine shillings eaight pence : a years Intrest to the first of June 1732

a copy of the origenall Recaight

2–9–8 Jerimiah Allin Treasuer
Attest William Rogers
Town Clarke

Boston September 18th 1730 Recived of Mr William ffairfield one the Trustees £60000 for Wenham nine pounds nine shillings and Eaight pence: Being ye fe C Interst to June 1730 for Mrs Treasuer Allin

a coppy of the origanall Recaight
Jar Allin
Att test William Rogers Town Clerke

£9–9–8

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att a metting: of the Select Men Desember 5 1732 then agreed with Mr Danill Dodge of Wenham to Keep School In our Towne:

Boston August 18th 1733

Reecivid of Mr John Baker Constable of Wenham Mr William ffairfield fourty five pounds Six shillings & nine pence In full ℔ Jeremich Allin Trezurer.
the above is true Entry of the Receip under figures found as

£45: 6: 9 Attest William ffairfield Town Clark

Att a Legell Town Metting Duly Warned and Convened

on this 18 day of Desember 1732 Cap Samuell Kemball Chosen moderator for the metting:
Voted to allow the Sum of twenty three pounde Pounds Mr Warrens ordination
Votted that Committe : shall Set : and state out Every persons proportion of fence about the parsonage To the Committee of the Church and Town of Wenham

Gentle Men Having Considered of the Call of the Curch and Town to Be their minister I also a copy of ye same I do Like Wies accep of the ofer for a support with this addition that the salery be paid once in half a year and that the :: Town Keep the : parsonage well: fenced depending upon it that if upon triall I should find it to be insoffistient or my Cuircomstances Called for more the Town will make Resonable addistions wishing you the best of blessings Remaining yours to end
John Warren Wenham November 20 1732/
a true coppe of Mr Warrens ansuer:
Attest William Rogers Town Clerk

Att a metting of the Select men Janerary 29 they sent a note or order to Mr Herbin to let Samuell Tarbox have Tabitha hogeskin : and all that she claimed that was hers and then did agree with the said Tarbox to keep her for her Laybour and fifteen shillings a weeke : for two weekes : Ensuing the dat here of on the 30th day of said month said Tarbox : Demand said hogskin of said herbin be fore Nathanill ffairfield and John Perkins present at the hous of William Rogers Inholder : but said herbin denied to Let her go becus they had they had not mentioned in the note conserning his pay:

The generall Town Meeting March 1732/3
Att a metting of the Select men feburary : 14 1732/3 then Reckend and agreed with Mr Augustus Herbin : for bording and nurshing of tabatha Hogskin one month : the Sum of five pounde In full and Sum days.
Augustus Herbin

Att a Legell Generall Town meting Legelly Warned and Assembeled on March the 6 1732/3
Decon William ffairfield chosen moderator Decon William ffairfield Stephen Patch Ebenezer Kemball Jasen Edwards David Batcheler chosen Select men. All Took the Azezers oath ye twelfe Day Decon William ffairfield choozen Town Clarke & sworn the same day to both.
for a Constable for the west ward Thomas Brown was Choozen & for the East Caleb Coy but he refuzeing to serve paid down five pound : upon which the town porceeded and Chooze Thomus Dodge for the East ward & said Brown & he wase both sworn the same day. Surveighers of highways Benjamine Edwards for the Neck for the middle part of the Town Zacheous Gouldsmith Junr & westward of the straights Benjamine Herrick was Choozen & Goldsmith & Herrick both sworn the same day & Edwards the twelf day for Tithingmen Ebenezer Kimball & Abraham Kimball were chosen and Sworne for fence vewers John Porter Junr Edmund Kimball & Rice Knowlton Junr were chosen & all sworn the same day. Danill Dodge Junr & Benjamine Kimball hogg Riffs & both Sworn David Batcheller chosen Sealler of weights & meazures Sworn the same day. for the wards or field driveers John Moulton Junr & Benjamine ffairfield choozen & Sworn In Answer to the petition of Ebenezer Batcheller Junr:Samuell porter Junr:Samuell Kimbale Junr:Joseph Batcheller Ebenezer Porter Jonathan ffiske Samuell Tarbox Junr Nathanale Batcheller Benjamine Batcheller & Jacob Dodge : which was to Build & Inlarg the hind seat in the froont Gallerry on Conditizions as on file may appear : their petition was votted & Granted by the Town. In Answer to the patition of Rice Knowlton which was to hang a Gate a Crozs the high way going of his land by the Gravellie Brook or by the houze that Mr Annable lived in which he asketh for Dureing the Towns pleazure It being put to vote : it was votted In the affermative — on the Request of Sam parsons that the Town would Divide the highway Between the Town & the Neck (so Called.) it was deferrd acting upon it un-

till the next Town meeting & till the Selectmen have vewed it. In answer to the propozeall mad about selling the fee of that land that Stephen Patch lives on it was votted that Thomas White Luft William Dodge & William ffairfield are Choosen a Committy to treat with the said Steephen Patch about it & make Report to the Town at their next meeting — all which perticulars were specified in their warrant for the meeting above Entered To the Selectmen of Wenham they may certifie that William ffairfield hath paid me by order of the Committy at Several payments the Sume of Seaven pounds four Shillings & eight pence out of the Contribution money which is to my content for entertaining the ministers untill the day that Mr Warrin tooke the providing on himselfe I say Received by me: margarett Ward Wenham Datted fabrawary 26 : 1732/3 the above is a true Entry of the Receipt as attest

William ffairfield Town Clarke

Att a meeting of the Select men : March 12th 1732/3 then agreed with Samuell Tarbox to take care of the meeting houze & to perform the Duty of a Sextoan for the year Ensueing he to have of the Town the Sum of thre pounds for his service : excluzive of what he shall do for paticular perzons.

Att a Town meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitancs of Wenham May the 14th 1733 warned and convieytined for Choozing a Reprezentative & other bizences exprezsed in the warrant.

Town Meeting May 14 1733

William ffairfield Chosen Representative to serve at the Generall Court & alzo Choozen modderator for the other town bizenezs.

It being put to vote wheither they would make any settled devizsion between the town & the Neck (so called) Surveryhers of the highways and it pazsed on the negative.

As an addizsion to the vote pazsed at March meeting for fencing of the parsonage votted that when the Selectmen have made the Rate according to the Towns vote : that

the Committy shall order the place whear eich list according to our two wards :
whear the first perzon shall begin to fenc & then whosoever is Ready first shall have liberty to joyn Next to him & whosoever shall make up his or their proportion suffizsient in the judgement of theze Committy shall have their Ruts Crozed, and also voted that all the stoans that belong to the parzonage land or fence shall be Rezerved out of the fence & from the uze of particular perzons that do their own proportion : for the Committy to make up any fence with all that may fall to them to do according to the towne vote.
Votted alzo that the Swine being suffizienly yoked & Ringed may go at large
Att a metting of the Selectmen May the 17 1733 then appointed & agreed with Mr Nattahanill Brown to Keep a writting and a Reading School in our town for ye year insueing: and whereas it is Impracticable for all the Children to come to gather to one place it is covenanted and agreed with him the he be allowed to teach little Children to Read by Suttable wimen in the severall parts of the Town that he Shall agre with by the approbation of the selectmen as also to teach to wright by another man bezide himselfe in an other part of the town for the more Conveniant accomodating the schollars to attend and the town to defray the Charg of all as by his account of agreements & service shall belaid Before the Selecmen and adjusted by them att or before the 25th of fabrawary Next (it is to be understood that he is to have sattisfaction that it Just & Reasonable) and in Conmfirmation both parties have set to their hands by order of the Selectmen William ffarifield Town Clerk
Natthanill Brown

We the Subscribers being Selecmen of Manchesester & Wenham & such as they have apointed have mett togather & Renewed Bounds between said Towns & Be gining att the tree marked with: W & M from thence Northeasterly

to a Stump in Ipswich line Called Dodge's stump

for Manchester { Aron Benett, John Lea Junr, Thomas Lee }

for Wenham { Joseph Edwards, Stephen Patch, Mathew Coy }

Beverly Aprill ye 25th 1733 These are to Notifie the Selectmen of Wenham of such as they have appointed to perambulate on the Between our town of Wenham & Beverly that the Selectmen of Beverly have appointed & Impowered the persons hearafter Named to meet you at the plac & tim by you perfixed in your Nottification to us to perambulate on the Line & & renew ye Bounds Between our Towns. The persons appointed for to perform the servic are Ensign John Baltch Mr Andrew Baltch & Mr John Conant

By order of the selectmen John ober Town Cler

and Insin Robert Morgan or any three of them.

Aprill 30th 1733 We the Subscribers have Renewed the Bounds Between Beverly & Wenham from the white oake in Left Nathanill Rayments pasture to the pine that is the Bounds Between Beverly & Wenham & Manchester

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We the Subscribers being appointed by the Selectmen of our severall Towns: viz: Wenham & Topsfield to Renew & perambulate Bounds Between our Respective Towns as the law directs have accordingly attended Said Service & have Renewed the Bounds according to the Settlement of the Bounds Between our Towns in the year 1682 Which Bounds we do agreeunto as wittness our hand

Thomas Tarbox, John Perkins

Benjamine ffiske, William Redington

Stephen Patch, Joseph Edwards } two of the select men of Wenham

Robert Morgan, John Balch, John Conant, Andrew Balch } for bev erly

May ye 21: 1733 We the Subscribers being appointed by the Selectmen of Ipswich to perambulat the line Between the Towns of Ipswich & Wenham with the persons which the Town of Wenham hath appointed & sent: accordingly mett on this Twenty first day of May and Renewed the Bounds Bgining first at a white oake Stump on the West Side of Pleazent Pond from thenc to a briar bush at the Cuntry Road by Natthanll Browns from then to a whit oake in Natthanill ffairfields land & thenc to Severall Bounds in Said line to a white oak Neer Rice Knowlton Corner on said line : & from thenc to a white oak tree that grows out of an old Stump & from thenc to a stump Known by the Name Dodge's Stump & also Renewed the Bounds Between their bounds that we the Subscribers have mentioned on said line as wittnes our hands

Thomas Brown } both Ipswich — Rice Knowlton } both Wenham
John Whipple } — Thomas Brown }

We the Subscribers being the Selectmen of Wenham and appointed by the Selectmen of Salem to perambulat the line Between sd Towns of Salem & Wenham have mett & renewed Said Bounds & Began at the white oak in Natthanill Rayments pasture and so from Bound to Bound Renewed all the Bounds as they Stand Recorded in the towns books of Salem & Wenham : & as they have bin formerly perambulated unto the heap of Stoans att Wenham Causeway & agreed & Renewed the White oake att the westerly End of ye Causeway which is the Bound also Between Salem & Topsfield as wittness our hands this 20th of aprill 1733

William ffairfield } Selectmen }
David Batcheler } for Wenham }

for Salem John Preston
Danill Rea
Thordick Proctor Junr
E: d: w ffint

October 22: 1733 Att a Town meeting warned & convenied for raiseing money to pay the Towns debts & other buissnes according to warrent. William ffairfield

Choosen Moderator Votted to Rais the sume of Two hundred & fifty pounds to pay to Towns debts: and that the Selectmen shall agree with sume person for the providing a New pound against the Next Spring

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December 7th 1733 then Rec: d of William ffairfield one of the trustees for the Towns part of the 60000 pound loan being £9–9–3 for the years:1732 & 1733 Received by me Jonathan Kimball Town Treasurer
the above Receipt is truly Recorded
Attest William ffairfield town clar

Boston November 19th 1733 Rec: d of the trustees of Wenham by me William ffairfield nine pounds Nine Shillings & Eight Pence a years Inst June 1733
£9: 9: 8 ℔ Jer. Allin Trea:
The above Receipt is truly Recorded

May the 25t 1733 Att a meeting of the Committee to measure the land or fencing the parsonage Next to the Cuntry Road: 28 pole & Eight feett & Next to the highway that leadeth to the Neck: 36: pole & ten feett then Next to the land that is in Josiah Whits hands is 10 ps & ten feet the one half Next to the high way Which is to Josiah White & is seven pole & five feett the other seven pole & five feett is to the town: that line next to Ezekiell Days is 32 pole : 16 pole Next to the Cuntry Road is to Said Day the other half to the town Said Day & White connected to the divisions of fence and the Said Committy vallues the price of one pole att twenty five Shillings per pole to a good stoan wall about the same

The above Return of the Committies measuring dividing & vallueing of the parsonage fence is truly Recorded

William Rogers
Samuell Kinball } Committie
William Dodge

as attest William ffairfield Town Clar—

Wenham November 30: 1733 Att a Towne meetting of the free houlders & other Inhabitants being duely warned & conviened for to agree & order something in addition to

the vots allready agreed on about Raiseing money & fencing the parsonage William ffairfield being Chosen modderater of the Said meeting

Voted that whearas att a metting November 27th 1732 it was voted by the Towne that a Rate Should be made for the fencing of the parsonage but nott Knowing how much money it would take because the length of the fenc was not assertained which Sinc is Don by the Committie appointed by the town for that purpose and by their measure & Estemation it amounting to the sume £112–19–0 it is also voted that the Rate Made by the Selectmen the 21st Sepr last amounting to the Same Sum Shall be all collexted & paid in to the town Treasury for Defraying the Charg is of fencing the parsonage according to town vote. As also votted that Every person Ratted in the tax that Shall make up their proportion of fenc in a good stoan wall

Att or before the first day of Aprill Next (their proportion being one pole to Every twenty five shillings & so proportionable) Shall Receive so much money out of the town treasusey as they were assked in the Said tax: to pay & sattisifie him or them for ye same Also Voted that whearas the Committie formerly Choosen to vew & approve of every persons fenc where well don: have Neglected or Refused so to do: & theirby no person Can have due Incorragement to do their fenc for the providing whearof the Selectmen for the future shall take Care & for all such as have or Shall make up their fenc well give orders for the pay out of the town treasury & that the selectmen for the time being be autherised to take Care that the ajacent proprioters mak & keep up their proportions of the fenc agains the parsonage as the law directs. Also it was voted that Mr Warrin Shall have all the ould wood fenc belonging to the town about the parsonage.

Janua'w'y the 18t 1733 David Batheller thomas tarbox Benjamin ffiske & James Cue who Claim the Right to the sixth lott in our Great Swamp on the East Side of the Highway being twinty poles wide att the highway bounding on the fifth lott from a maple marked five to a pine

marked six & the same bredth att Witemans Neck being bounded on the southwest Side by a small pine near a Red Six which lot by town Grant belonged to Richard Dodge and Thomas Patch Sen^{e} John Pirkins Tobias Trow and Charles Gott Jun^{e}: Danill Killam Steephen Patch Jn Right of his brother thomas & William Rogers for his free hold & is provided by the above named four persons as pirchesers thereof: to wit: to David Batcheller five Eighths on the Northeast side one under Richard Dodge one under Thomas Patch Senr: one under Tobias trow one under John Pirkins & one under Charles Gott Jr^{r} being twelve pole & one halfe wide att Eich Ende from the fifth lott ye next Eighth to James Rix in the Right of Danill Killiam two pole & half wide att eich Each End the Next Eighth is Thomas tarbox In the Right of Seephen Patch & is two pole & halfe wid att Eich End the Eighth part is to Benjamin ffiske in the Right of William Rogers the same bredth of the two last Divided by & Between us the subserchers The Day & year aboved as wittness our hands.

David Batcheller
Sam L Rix
Thos Tarbox
Daniall Killiam

March 5: 1733/4 Att a General Town Metting of freehoulders & other Inhabitants of Wenham Duly Warned & conveaned for Choosing town affisiers as the law directs & other town buiseness as mentioned in the warrant. William ffaierfeild being Choosen Modderatter & John Porter Junr Jonathan Kimball Ensign Thomas Tarbox Josiah Dodge & William ffaierfeild were Choosen Selectmen. Also William ffaierfeild Chosen for towne Clark Jonathan Porter Choosen town treasurer. James Kimball Choosen Constable for the West ward & Nehemiah Dodg for the East Ward for the Year Ensueing. Also for Surveighers of highways Josiph Edwards is Choosen for the East division Nathanill Kimball for that part cal: d the town & Samuell Gott westward of the streights: called for fence vewers Theophilus ffiske is Choosen for West Sam-

uel Porter for the Towne or middle part & Rice Knowlton for the Necks. for sealer of leather Jonathan Kimball & Sealer of weights & measurers David Batcheller ware Choosen for tything men Ebenezar ffiske Zacheous Goldsmith Junr: & Natthanill Bragg are Choose for hawards or field drivers Benjamin Kimball & Samuel Batcheller are Choosen: for hogg Riffs Samuel Tarbox & Mosus Mitchell are Choosen. and on the same day William ffaierfeild Johnathan Kimball David Batcheller Jonathan Porter Samuel Porter Theophilus ffife Rice Knowlton Joseph Edwards Ebenezur ffife Nathanill Bragg Samuell Batcheller Samuell Gott Natthanill Kimball Benjamin Kimball and Mosus Mitchell & Samuell Tarbox all took the oaths of their Respective offiers whearunto they ware choosen as a bovesd & on the other buisnes of the towne mentioned in the warrant it was votted That All the Inhabitants of our towne Shall Sume time in the month August yearly for the future Give in to sume one or more of the selectmen true bills of all their poles and Rattable Estate Inorder to a Just and true proportion of the provinc & towne taxis. And whearas it is the work of the Selectmen by law to divide between the severall Surveighers of the Highways for the Working on the same & this town haveing long sinc sett of the inhabitants Westward of the streights to work on the ways amongst themselves and their Haveing differencis a Risen between the Inhabitant of the town & the neck So Called about the reminder of Highways for the preventing whearof it is agreed and voted by the town that for the future the town surveaigher so Called Shall mend and make the ways as far upon the Neck Road beyond the bridge by Edward Waldrons as far as Left William Dodges barne & all the inhabitants southwestward of the said way down to the Mill Brook so far as the said barne & Josiah & Phines Dodgis on the other side of the said way shall belong to the town surveighers togather with ye way: and all the Remainder of the ways in that part of the town that is Cal: d the Neck togather with the inhabitants dwelling their (to be employed in making and mending of the

same as the laws directs) shall belong to the surveigher of the East Part of the town from time to time

Att a metting of the Selectmen March 11 1733/4 the selectmen ware all sworn to the office of assessors: then also the two Constables Choosen the fifth Currant tooke the oath belonging to their office

May 8 1734 Att a metting of the selectmen Samuel Tarbox is agreed with to sarve as a sextoon for the year insueing for the sum of three pounds to be paid by the towne & also is agreed with to Keep the pound for the law full fees

Boston December: 22^{d} 1733

Received of Mr Zacheous Goldsmith Constable of Wenham thirty seven pound thirteen shilling & eight pence in full for me Treasurer Allin

£7–13–8 ℔ Eben E Swan

The above is a true entry of The Receipt as from the tresurer office as attest William ffaierfeild Town Clarke

May 18 1734 Att a meeting of the selectmen David Batcheller is agreed with to keep a school in town to teach to Read and to wright as Natt:ll Brown was agreed

May ye 8 1734 Att a Towne meeting of the free houlders & Inhabitants of Wenham Warned & Convined for the Chouseing of a Representative & to give order whear a New pound should be erected in the town and William ffaierfeild being Choosen to serve as Representative by the major part of the Electors present and also for the vote a moderator for other towns buiseness It was voted that the pound should be sett before Cap Kimballs dore on the East End of the training place. It haveing bin put to the Vote wharether it should be In the place whear the ould pound stood & it passed on the Negative

Att a Town Meeting of the Inhabitants of Wenham Duly Warned & Conveined Capt Samuell Kimball being choosen moderater — —

July 4th 1734 Votted Capt Samuell Kimball Capt William Rogers and William ffaierfeild are Choosen a Committy to take into consideration the towns right to The land Claimed by Lef^{t} John Porter on our meeting house

Common Examine the towne Records and to treet with the Said Lef^{t} Porter about the matter and to make a Report theirof to the Towne at their next meeting . . . Also votted that our present Representative be directed and impowered to prefer a petition to the General Court for a Grant of sume land belonging to the provinc for to Inable the towne the better to support a school

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October 21 1734 At a meeting of the freehoulder and other Inhabitants of Wenham duly warned to grant a sume of money to pay the towns Debts & other buiseness. Votted that the sume of money to be Raised to pay the Towns Debts shall be two hundred & five pounds also the question being put to the town wheither they would lett Mr Jonathan Kimball a small piece of land at the East End of the training place as mentioned in the warrant for the meeting & it passed on the Negative

Att a meeting of the Selectmen September 1733 a tax was maid in two distinct lists for the fencing of our parsonage land according to anorder by vote of the town the whole amounting to one hundred & nine pounds eighteen shillings & seven pence of which in Constable Thomas Browns lists was contained the sume of £60–2–34 in Constable Thomas Dodgis list was contained the sume of £47–14–2 both were the lists ware comitted to them with warrants as the law directs to collect & pay in the sume to our town treasurer att or before the last day of May next Insueing

May 27th 1785 At the Request of Wm Dodge of this town I have taken his mark of sheep and is as followeth viz A Crop in the Right Ear and a Slit in the Same And a hole in the Left Ear — — — —

Attest Stephen Dodge T—erer.

March 8th 1792 — the ear marks of neat Cattle and Sheep Belonging to John Dodge Jur. of Wenham is as followeth the top of both ears off and a slit the uper side of the Right Ear — — —

Attest John Dodge J^{ur} T— Clark

Att a Generall Town Metting at Wenham March 4th 1734/5
William ffaierfield Chosen Moderator for Selectmen Captaien Sameuell Kemball Capt: Rogers Samuell Gott Timothy Patch and William ffairfield Captaien William Rogers Chosen for Town Clark and and Sworn the Sam day above and Nathanill Kemball Chosen Constable for the west end of our Town and sworne sam day Josiah Whit Chosen Constabell for the East End of our town and Sworn the sam day above and Mr John Gott Chosen Towntresuer and sworn the same Day above Said
Voted that the Selectmen are Chosen to tak a List of the valuation when it come to be don for the yeare insuing
Josiah Dodge for Survaier of higways for the midel part of the Town Richard Dodg for the East End of our towne: Mark Batcheler for the west End of our towne Chosen Survaiers of highwayes and a Sworne the day above Said: Thomas Dodge: John Rogers Samuell Batcheller are all Chosen for fencevewers and all Sworne on Said Daye Edmon Kemball Josiah Herrick Steven Patch Chosen tyethingmen and all Sworne the day above Said David Batcheller Chosen Sealer of waights and Masuers and sworne the day above Said Jonathan Kemball Chosen Sealer of Lather Sworn: the day above Said Nathanill ffaierfield chosen survaier of flax and hemp and sworne Nathanill Killem and Jonathan Kemball Junr Chosen for hogs Refe and Swornre the above Said
Aprevious vote: that wather the town would fling up theyer wright in that Land that: Layeth Betweene the Meting hous and that Land whaer Mr Portors Barn stood or wether the Town would Chus a Committ to prosecut about it: or words to that purpose
Voted to Chus a Committe to agree: or prossecut Leutanent John Portor or his son about that Land Before the hors hous fenced In: Voteed Decon William ffaierfield William Rogers John Dodge Jonathan Kemball Samuell Gott or aney three of them to Be a corem to act in this matter —

Captaien Samuell Kemball was chosen But Refused

Att a meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham March the 10 1734/5 Decon William ffaierfield: Captaien Samuell Kemball Timothy Patch Samiell Gott all appeared and Took the oth of Assessors: and agreed with Samuell Tarbox: to Keep the pound and to Keep the metting the metting hous and Ring the Beell for the Touns use: for the full and Just Sum of three pounds for his pains:

Att a Legell ton metting of Wenham the sixtenth day of May 7 1735 Duli Worned and Convened Decon William ffaierfield Chosen Representive Captaien Samuell Kemball Chosen Moderator: for this metting: Voted Conserning Swine Going at Larg Yoked and Ringed according to Law it was voted Voted to leave it with the Select men concerning a Schoolmaster passed on the negitive
Voted Decon Willam faierfield Samuell Gott: John Dodge ar a committee: Chosen and fully impouered and otherised By the Toun and on their be halfe to Settell and End the deference that hath or may arize aboute. Leutenant John Porters Claiming of the Land Belonging to the Toune: Voted the metting hous Land laying Between the metting house and the land Johnathan Porter liveth in: and Said Committee are Impowered In Behalfe of the Toun to prosecut any person for such Incrochment as have bin made on the Toune Wright: there in In any Court of Records propose to defray the Sum as also to anser and Defend in any Courts any action or Complaint: that may Be Brought against the Toun or any person where the Towns Interst may be Conserned and In case: the said porter will submit the Controversi to Reference to be Setteled with us: the Said Committee are fully Impouered to Compound and act and trance act In any affaier that is nasury there unto the Toun holding Good and vallued what so Ever thay or the maine part of them Shall Do or caus to be don —
Relating to the promises as if it had bin don By vote of the Town: Voted that Samuell Tarbox is hereby impouered

to prosecut: all pound Breches which is for the poor of the Town: Votted that our present Representative shall petition the great and Generall Court for a part: of a Town Ship some whare In the unapropriated Land of the province for an in Largment to our Toun

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Att a meting of the Selectmen of Wenham July 7 1735 then agreed with David Batcheler to Keep School in our Toun untill the 7th Day of August next Coming after the date hereof and Saied Batcheler is here by Impouered to agree with three School Decones to teach Littell Childeren to wrede for the Toun part the neck and villege and to have Resonable Satisfaction for his servis William Rogers Toun Clerk: of the Selectmen

By the order as witness my hand
David Batcheler

Att a metting of the Toune of Wenham September the 9 1735 to Raies money for to pay to the Townes debts: and Charges Captaien Samuell Kemball Chosen moderator for this metting: Voted to Raies the Sum of one hundred and sixty pounds to pay the Towne Debts and Charges:

December 15 day 1735 Att a metting of the Selecmen of Wenham then agreed with David Batcheler to Ke^{e}p Scholl In our Town from munday the 22 day of desember till the first day of March in the yeare Next cominced after the date hereof for the sum of twenty Shillings per week

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Boston November 7th 1735

Received of Mr Nehamiah Dodge Constable of Wenham forty pounds nineteen Shillings ten peneces full
40–19–10 ℔ Allen Treal.

A true coppy of origenall Resaight Attest William Rogers Towne Clarke

Boston Desember 9th 1735

Resived of the Trustees: of Wenham By Mr William

Faierfield forty Seven pounds Eighteen Shillings Being the Second fifth of the £60000 Lone and seven pounds eleven shillings and nine pence Interest to June 1735
2[d] fifth 47–18–0
Intrest 1735 7–11–9 Atrue Copy Attest
54–19–9 William Rogers
Town Clarke:
Wenham March 2 1735/6
Then Recived of William ffaierfield: one of the trustes of 60000 Louan the Toune part of the Intrest being three pounds fifteen Shillings I say Received by me
John Gott Treasuer:
a true coppy Attest
3–15–0 William Rogers Toune Clarke

At a meeting of the Select men of Wenham March 8th 1735/6
Agreed with Samuell Tarbox to do the worke of a sexton for the year insueing for the Sum of three pounds 5 shilling : and to Keep the pound for ye lawful fee
Deacon William ffaierfield and John Kimball Josiah Dodge Benjamin Herrick and Nathaniel Brown all being present took the oath of assesers

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March the Second Day 1735. Att a Legal General Town Metting Legaly warned and Conveaned Decon William ffairfield Chosen moderator Decon William ffairfield Benjamin Herick John Kimball Josiah Dodge Nathanill Brown Chosen Selectmen: Nathanill Brown Chosen Town Clarke : and was sworn the Day abovesaid
M[r] John Gott chosen Town Treasurer and Sworn the Day abovesaid
Humphrey Peirce Chosen Constable for the West End of or[a] town and sworn the Day above said
Moses Mitchel Chosen Constable for the East End of our Town and sworn the Day above sd
Benjamin ffairfield Chosen surveyor of high ways for the West End of our Town and sworn the Day above [sd] Josiah

Dodge chosen survoior of high ways for the middle part of our Town and Sworn the Day above said
Benjamin Edwards chosen Survaior of high-ways for the East End of our Town and sworn the Day abovesaid
Zaccheus Gold-smith jur: and Daniel Dodge ju^{r} Chosen Surveyers of fenses for our Town and sworn the Day abovesd
Jonathan Kimball jur and Mark Batchelder Chosen Tything-men for our Town and sworn ye Day above sd
m^{r} David Batchellor Chosen Sealer of weights and measuror for our Town and sworn the Day above said
m^{r} Jonathan Kimball Chosen Sealor of Leather for our Town and sworn the Day above said.
Theophilus ffiske chosen . . . or field-driver for our town and sworn ye Day above sd –
Nathanol Bragg and Thymothy patch ju^{r} Chosen hogreffe for our Town and sworn the Day above said
m^{r} Nathaniel ffairfield Chosen a Surveyor of hemp and flax for our Town
John Moulton jur Chosen surveyor of fences for our Town and sworn
Richard Goldsmith Chosen Tythingman for our town and sworn
Samuel Batcheller chosen . . . . or field driver for our town

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May ye 30th 1736 Att a Town meeting of the free holders and inhabitans of Wenham duly warned and convaned to chuse a Representative and other town buisness Deacon William fairrfield Chosen Representative Capt. Kimball chosen moderator for the remainig buisnes of this present meeting
Voted that the two seats of the women below in the North Est corner of our meeting house be by the Towne cost made into a pue with sutable banestors not to Exceed six inches and not to raise the platform – and the Towne to seate sutable persons tharin from time to time as they shall soo move — — — —
Voted that the two hind seats in the South galery shall

be by the Selectmen made sutable for the young-women to set in —
Voted that the hoggs may goe att larg being yoaked and ringed as the Law directs

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June ye 28th 1736 A Town meeting in Wenham lawfully warned and assembled — — —
Deacon William ffairfield Chosen modarator for this present meeting Benjamin Herrick Josiah Dodge. Samuel Gott, phenias Dodge — Jonathan porter Chosen Seaters for to seat our meeting-house — — —
Voted that whereas the Selectmen of Wenham laid out a privat or particuler way for Ebenezer Batcheller over the land which the Town had of Asstian Kilkam by Exchange on the account of the sd Kilkams reserve of a passage way to the country road — which land Jonathan Porter had fenced a crofs and incumbred . which way the said Town confirmed at their last March meeting — but sinc haveing settled and ended the controuvorcy with the sd porter by staking and recording the bounds of the Towns right and part of that Land that thay so had of the said Killum Exclusive of the sd Killum or Batchellers right of a way over it and whereas the way laid out for Ebenezer batcheller doth not by adjoyning to the Towns land for their meeting-hous accomodation the whol length of it and so is more prejudicial than if it were on the outside of the sd portors land it is theirfore ordered that the said way laid out as above said shall be and is made Null and voyd — and as to any further provision for a way for the said Batcheller or his Sucsossos is left untill he or they shall want and the town see need forclouses them–
Att a meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham March 5th 1735/6–
The Selectmen taking into Consideration that upon the petision of Ebenezer Batcheller and some others the last year the Selectmen laid out a way over the meeting-House-Land which the Town pirchesd of Astin Killam in the year 1665 and for as much as the Select-men in laying out the said way had intrested severall of the town In-

habitants in the way besides the said Batcheller. the Town refused to Confirm the said way att there March meeting when it was laid before them — and whereas the necessity of fixing of a way to som cartain place for the said Ebenezer Batcheller as he holds his place in the right of Asetin Killam which conveighed the land to the Town with the reserve of a way to pass over the said land to the highway or Cuntry Road as appear's on Town Record . we have on the Day of the Date hereof laid out and fixed the paseag way Contracted for between the Town and the said Killum for the said Batcheller and such as may suckcead him in that living that formerly was the sd Killame and we have stated it one pole wide beginning at Ebenezer Batchellers own land and bound on the Northeast by the west-End of the fairfields and Batchellers Stable or hors-house standing in the vally near the place of Asetin Killame Bar's att which place he reserv:d to pass out) and on the Southwest side it bounds on the End of one pole from the said Stable and att Southwest End the way is bounded on one west side with that peice of land which the Town granted to Mr Antipas Newman for an inlargement to his yard in the year 1659 which was to come so far'r' downe as not to prejudice the Cuntry Road at which place the Cuntry Road measur'es three poles and one half from m^{r} Jonathan Kimballs fence on the other side of the Road against Jonathan porters yard formerly m^{r} Antipas Newmans as above said . and on the North East side of the aforesaid way Laid out it bounds at the End of one pole from the End of porters yard above mensioned which Ends at the post standing in the End of the second length of fence on the North side of Jonathan porters yard and from that post said way hath its breadth North East coming out into the Cuntry Road all which way we have laid out on the Towns own land (although of Late it hath bin freequently incumbrod by Left John Porter and his sons, and the Town molested in the use of it) for the use of Ebenezer Batcheller and such as may suckceed him in Asetin Killams right agreed for as above said and in Confirmation of all above writ-

ten we have here unto sett our hands the Day and year above said

William ffairfield
William Rogers
Timothy Patch
Samuel Gott
} Selectmen

The above way fixed and laid out by the Selectmen is truly Recorded being delivered to me to Record after it was confirmed by the Town at their meeting march 2 1735/6 Attest Nathaniel Brown Town Clerk

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We these subscribers being met together of Manchester and Wenham on the twentiesh Seventh Day of April . 1736– and renewed the bounds between sd Towns beginning at the tree marked with W & M– from thence to a stump in Ipswich line called Dodges Stump being the former bounds as upon record

John Horton
Thomas Lee for
John Bishop Manchester

William Dodge
Rice Knowlton for
Caleb Coy – Wenham

The above return of Renewing of bounds as delivered to me to enter is truly entered

Attest Nathaniel Brown Town Clerk

April 20th 1736. We the Subscribers being legally authorized have this day mett and Renewed the Bounds between Salem & Wenham beginning at a White Oak Tree marked S. W. I. Standing near ye Northerly End of Wenham Casaway thence to a heap of stones at the Southerly End of the Casaway a Reputed bound of porters farm. Thence Southwesterly to the walnut stump at the head of Leachs meadow where these walls meet being the Reputed corner of Bounds Andrews farm. from thence Southeasterly to a white oak marked S. W. in the wall formerly Joseph now Benja Herricks thence S Easterly to a heap of stones in John Herricks orchard about seven foot Esterly from the fifth aple-tree in the second row from the southern wall of the ould orchard – or orchard next the house marked. S. W. thence Northerly to a heape of stones in Benje Herricks ground thence South Esterly

to a heap of stones in Jeames Meachams meadow thence S. Weste to the White oake in Nath[ll] Raymonds pasteur marked S. W. B. all which bounds we have Renewed by adding stones to them.

William ffaierfield } Selectmen
Benj[a] Herrick } of Wenham

John Higginson } Comitte
Jn. Turner June } for
Saml Barton } Salm
Jonathan Batchelder }
John Leatch }

The above Renewing of bounds as delivered to me is truly Entered attest Nathaniel Brown Town Clerk

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We the subscribers being appointed by the Selectmen of our general Towne in Wenham and Topsfield to renew and preambleate the bounds between our Respective Towns as the Law directs have accordingly attended sd service and have renewed the bounds according to the Settlement of the bounds between our Towns which bounds we do agree unto as witness our hands this 25 Day of April – 1736.

Thomas Tarbox } Michel Duinell jur
Benj faierfield } John Towne
for Wenham } for Topsfield

The above return of Topsfield and Wenhams preambleation
is truly Entered attest Nathaniel Brown Town Clerk.

April y[e] 26. 1736– We the subscribers have mett and renewed thos bound between Wenham & beverly beginning att the White oake in Capt Raimonds pasture & to the severall bounds till we come to the pine that is the bounds between beverly & wenham and Manchester

John Kimbal– Selectmen } John Conant Selectmen
Josiah Dodge–of Wenham } Elisha Dodge of Beverly
freborn Balch

The above Return of Wenham –
and Beverlys preambleation is truly Entered
attest Nathaniel Brown Town Clerk.

May 31th 1736 We ye Subscribers being apointed by ye Towns of Ipswich & Wenham to preamblate the line and renew the bounds between ye sd respective Towns beginning at the brier-bush on sd line as renewed in ye year 1725 to Dodges stump as witnes our hands

ye Day and year above said – Thomas Brown
for Wenham John Kimball Nathaniel Dane
for Ipswich
Thomas Brown John Whipple
Jonathan porter

The above Return to me of Ipswich & Wenhams preambleations is truly entered

Attest Nathaniel Brown Town Clerk

Proposalls by Jonathan Porter for Settlement of bounds between the Town Claim and him on the Meeting-hous Land is as followeth. that is to say. that a Line shall be drawn from the North East End of the Stable next Ebenezer Batchellers yard Strerght to the Corner post of his garden on the other side of his land before his Dore and that the two Stables Standing there shall be removed and turned faceing of the meeting house and shall have somuch land westward of that line as that length and breadth will take and to be removed one pole from sd batchellers fence and this do be a finall Settlement of bounds with the Town voted a confirmation provided he will make a settlement with the Selectmen. the above is truly Entered as delivered to me to Enter by the moderator at our Town meeting in Wenham May ye 10th 1736 –

Attest Nathaniel Brown Town Clerk

We the Subscribers being the Selectmen of Wenham on the one party and Jonathan Porter of Wenham on the other party being met together this 17th Day of May anno que Domini 1736 to perabulleate the line and set the bounds between the Towns claimed of the meeting-house land which hath bin in controvercy between leftenant porter and his son Jonathan and the Town and pursuant to

said porters offer for an accomondation of the differance between the Town and him and the Towns vote and order to us at their meeting the tenth Corrant we have on the Day of the Date hereof actually fixed and settled the bounds according to the proposals then made and voted as on Record – to wit we sett a stone at the East End of the Stables near Ebenezer Batchellers gate which stands five poles wanting two feet Distance from the North west Corner of the Meetinghouse and from thence on a straight line to a stone we sett att the Corner poste of his garden Southward of his yard as it now stands and the two stables now standing westward of that line to be turned facing to the Meetinghouse and to stand westward of the line between the two above mensioned Stones which land sett of to the town by this Setlement Did Doth & forever shall belong to the Town for an aconodation to the meetinghouse and all fenceing and improvements be regulated accordingly. as Witness our hands the Day and year above mensoned –

Jonathan Porter

William ffaierfield
Nathaniel Brown
John Kimball
Josiah Dodge
Benjamin Herrick
} Selectmen

The above is a true Entry of the Setlement made between the Selectmen and Jonathan Porter concerning the meetinghouse land as above Exprest– Attest Nathaniel Brown Town Clerk

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At a meeting of the Selectmen . June 14th 1736. then agreed with mr Daniel Dodge to keep a School in our Town to learn youth to read and wright and for the summer season to teach to read by three women in those several parts of the Town and for the winter season to remain and keep a wrighting school as well as a reading in the severall parts of the Town four months beginning the first of November untill the first of March and the price agreed on is four pounds by the month for the said term

and to begin and keep it in such places as the Selectmen Shall order.

	William ffaierfield	
	Nathaniel Brown –	
Daniel Dodge	John Kimball –	} Selectmen
	Josiah Dodge	
	Benjamin Herrick	

The above is a true Entry –

Attest Nathaniel Brown Town Clerk

September 20th 1736 A Town meeting of the free holders and other inhabitants of Wenham qualified to vote. Duly warned and assembled – Deacon William ffairfield Chosen moderator for this present meeting. — — —

Voted to Rais one hundred Sixty and five pounds money to pay the Towns Debts — Voted that Deacon William ffaierfield— Left William Dodge Ensin Thomas Tarbox Mr John Kimball and Nathaniel Brown are Chosen a Committy to seate our meeting-house or the major part of them

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Desember 20th 1736 At a Town meeting of the freeholders and other inhabitants of Wenham qualified to vote. Duly warned and conveaned to choose an agent to defend the Towns cause in an action whereby they are summoned to answer To Thomas Kimbal of Ipswich at Salem Court next left William Dodge Chosen moderator for the meeting — Mr: Samuel Gott Chosen an agent for to defend the Towns cause at Salem Court against Thomas Kimball of Ipswich wherein he hath commenced an action against the Town by sommoning left. John Porter . Decon William ffaierfield Nathaniel Brown and William Dodge to make answer. — — —

Desember 27.1736–

We whoso are appointed by our respective Townes in Ipswich and Wenham have met on said Day and have renewed the bounds between our said Towns and marked said bounds begining at a maple by the Springs and so to a greate White oak marked upon the Edge of wigwom Island and then to a beach marked and so to a black-birch

marked upon Fowler's Island . and so to a pine stump marked between fowlers Island and hemlock Island then to a beach marked upon hemlock Island then to a White oak stump with a heap of stones a small white oake and hemlock both marked then to a walnut now marked at Ebenezer Batchellers corner and so to the brier-bush at the Road as witness our hands

Thomas Brown — for William Rogers for
Nathaniel Dane — Ipswich Jonathan Porter Wenham
John Whipple

The above return of preambolation and renewing of bounds between Ipswich and Wenham as returned to me is truly Entered. Attest Nathaniel Brown Town Clerk

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Boston 9 feb^{r} 1736 Recd of m^{r} Nathl Kimball const^{a} of Wenham . seventy six pounds in full £76.00—

Wm Foye Treas^{r} — —

the above is a true Entry of the receight from the Treasuror —

Attest Nathaniel Brown Town Clerk.

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february the 25.1736.I have receaved of Constable Nathaniel Kimball the sum of four pounds Nineteen Shillings and Eight pence . in full of all Rates. —

Receaved by me John Gott Town trs$^{or.}$

The above receight is truly Entered.

Attest Nathaniel Brown Town Clerk

At a meeting of the Selectmen March 7th 1736/7 agreed with Samuel Tarbox to doe the work of a sexton for the Ensouing year for the sum of thre pounds 5 Shillings and to be a pound keper for the year Insewing for the lawfu poor —

Deacon William faierfield Capt Samuel Kimball Jonathan Kimball Josiah Dodge and Nath^{ll} Brown being all present were all sworn to the office of assessors — — —

March 5th 1736/7 Att a Generall Town meeting of the freeholders and other inhabitants of Wenham truly warned and conveaned for chuseing Town officers as the

law directs and other Town buisness — — Decon William faierfield Chosen moderator — — Deacon William faierfield Capt Samuel Kimball Jonathan Kimball Josiah Dodge and Nathaniel Brown Chosen Select-men. Nathaniel Brown chosen Town Clerk and sworn Abraham Kimball chosen constable for the West End of the town and sworn Ebenezer Waldron Chosen Constable for the East End of the Town and Sworn
Mr John Gott Chosen Town Treasurer and sworn — Jonathan porter Chosen Survaier of highways for the midle part of the Town and sworn may 28. Left: William Dodge Chosen Survair of highways for the Est part of the Town and sworn. Benjamin Herrick Chosen Surveior of highways for the West End of the Town and Sworn Samuel Moulton John Batcheller jnr and Benjamin Kimball chosen Tythingmen Ebenezer ffiske Nathaniel Bragg and Richard Dodge are chosen fence-vewers . and all sworn
m^{r} Jonathan Kimball chosen a sealer of leather and sworn — m^{r} David Batcheller chosen Sealer of Weights and measuers and sworn. m^{r} Nathaniel ffaierfield Chosen surveior of hemp and flax and sworn — James frind and John White are Chosen hogreifs and sworn — Lef^{t} William Dodg Chosen an overseer of the poor —

Boston . 14 . April . 1737 Recd of the Trustee of the Town of Wenham pr hand of me Wm ffairfield forty seven pounds Eight Shillings being ye third fifth of the 6000 of loan and five pounds thirteen shillings and nine pence Intrest to June 1736 Wm Foye Treas^{r}
£7–8–0 the 3–5th–
5–13.9 Int to June 1736
the above Coppy is truly Entered as taken out of the original Receight from the province Treasurer as Attest Nathaniel Brown Town Clerk

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May . 13 1737 A Town Meeting Duly warned and Regularly assembled to Chooose a Representative and other Town buisness as by warrent – Deacon William ffaier-

field chosen Representative Capt Samuel Kimball chosen moderator for the remaining buisness of this meeting It was put to the Town to vote wheither they would Except of the List the Selectmen brought for Jurymen and it past on the Negative —

Att a meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham July 5th 1737 Then agreed with m^{r} David Batcheller to keep School in in sd Town to teach children and youth to Reade and wright as the Law directs three months from this Date and to be paid reasonable Sattisfaction for his service according to his trouble and service therein—

Septem^{br} 6th 1737 A Town meeting Duly Warned and Regulerly assembled in order to rais money to pay the Towns Debts . and other buisness as by Warrant — Capt Samuel Kimball Chosen moderator for this meeting — — — —

voted to rais. 165 pounds money to Defray the Towns Debte — — —

Desember 26 . 1737 The Town met to chuse Jury-men for Salem Inferior Court — David Batcheller was Chosen to serve on the grand Jury — and Daniel Killum and James Frind to serve on the Jury of trials and was chosen according to the late act by taking their names out of the box

Boston ffebry 2^{d} 1737

Rec^{d} of Mr Samuel Kimball one of the Trustees of Wenham for y^{e} £6000 forty-seven pounds Eight Shillings being the fourth fifth and three pounds fifteen Shillings and ten pence Interest to June 1737 . for Mr Treas^{r} ffoye.—

47.. 8–0 Pr. Eben^{r} Swan
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——51–3–10

The above is a true Entry of the Resorght as from the Tresurers offic — —

Attest Nathaniel Brown Town Clerk.

March 17th 1737/8 At a General Townmeeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of Wenham Duly warned and conveaned to Chuse Town officers as the law Directs and other Town buissness as by warrent Expreses — — Capt Samuel Kimball Chosen moderator for this meeting —
Jonathan Kimball . John Gott . Jonathan porter . Edward Waldron and Nathaniel Brown – Chosen Selectmen — John Gott chosen Town Clerk– and sworn Josiah Dodge chosen Town Treasurer and Sworn Josiah Herreck Chosen Cunstabel for the West End of our Town and Sworn Richard Goldsmith Chosen Constabel for the East End of our Town and Sworn; Sephen patch Chosen Survair of highways for the East part of the Town and Sworn Cap. Samuel Kembell Chosen Survair of highways for the midle part of the town and Sworn John Baker Chosen Survair of highways for the west part of the Town and Sworn Samuel Molton Richard Dodge Ebenezer Worldran were Chosen Tything men and sworn Abraham Kembell Edmond Kembell Benjamin Edwards were Chosen fence vewers and sworn Jonathan Kembell Chosen a Sealer of Leather and David Batcheller Chosen Sealer of weights and measueres and sworn Benjamin Batcheller and Jacob Dodge are Chosen hogreife and are Sworn voted to Except of the List for Jury men

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At a meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham March the 13 –1737-8 Then aGread with Samuel Tarbox to doe the work of a Saxton for the yeare insuing for three pounds and ten Shiling and he is to keep the pound for Lawfull fees.
May.15 1738 At a Town meeting Duly warned and Regularly assembled to Chuse a Representative and other Town buisness as by warrant Deacon William ffaierfield Chosen Representative mr Nathaniel Brown Chosen moderator for the Remaning buisness of the meeting voted that Swine should goe at Large being yoke and wringe according to Law.

July.6 1738 The Town meet to draw Jury men for Salem Inferiour Court and En John Batcheller and Thomas Patch whare drawn to serve on the Jury of tryal At a meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham July the 6– 1738 Then agreed with m[r] Jonathan Kembell junor to keep school in sd Town to teach Children and youth to reade and wright as the Law direct foore month from this date and to be paid Reasonable Sattisfaction for his Servios according to his trubel and Servios thare in – – At a meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham May . 15 . 1738 then agreed that the person or persons who have Entertained other Town Inhabitants in our Town at their houses and have not attended the Law in that Case made and provided to give the Selectmen Notis thereof within twenty days thare names Should be Entred in our Town Book of Records to Save the Town from Damage by such Entertainment of other Town Inhabitants The names of such as have Entertained other Towns Inhabitants are as followeth — vas — John Kembell hath Entertained one Thomas Taylor came from Concord: from November Last. 1737 — untill this — present time — also John White hath taken into his hows mark parkins and wife and Seven Childran Came from Ipswich March the–8– 1737(8 and Entertained them until now.

Nathaniel Brown
Jonathan Kemball
John Gott
Jonathan porter
Edward Waldran
} Selectmen

September 4 = 1738 At a Town meeting of the free-holders and others inhabitants of Wenham qualified to vote Duly warned and assembled Deacon William ffaier-field Chosen moderator for the meeting voted in answer to the Reverend m[r] John Warren Request as by warrent. voted to Give him the sum of thirty pounds for the year Insuing voted to Rais two hundred and five pounds money to pay the Towns Deats.

October 30 — 1738 The Town met to Chuse Jury men

for Salem Superiour Court and Jonathan Kimball and John Gott was Chosen to Serve on the grand Jury and Samuel Killam John Batcheller m^{r} Edmond Kimball Josiah Kimball was drawn out of the Box to serve on the Jury of tryels according to law.

Desember the 22 1738 The Town met to Chuse Jurymen for Salem inferior Court Set William Dodge Chosen to serve on the grand Jury and Daniel ffisk and John Baker was drawn out of the Box to serve on the Jury of tryels according as the Law directs.

At a meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham October the 23 = 1738 Then agreed that the persons who have entertained others Town Inhabitants in our town at their houses and have not attended the Law in that Case made and provided to give the Selectmen Notis thereof within twenty days their Names should be entered in our Town book of Record to save the Town from Damage by such entertainment of others town Inhabitants Richard Dodge hath taken in won Thomas Colwell wifie and three Children we are informed they came from New Hamsheare and are Reserved in his house that he bought of John Dodge.

Nathaniel Brown
Jonathan Kemball Selectmen
John Gott of Wenham
Jonathan Porter
Edward Worldran

March 6th– 1738(9

At a General Town meeting of the freeholders and and other inhabitants of Wenham duly warned to Chuse offesors as the Law Directes Deacon William fearfield Cosen moderator for the meeting Nathaniel Brown Richard Dodge John Gott are Chosen Selectmen question being put to the vote wether the Town have but three Selectmen and it pased on the Negiutive

Nathaniel Brown Cosen Clerk for the Town and Sworn—

Jonathan Kimball Chosen Town Treasurer and sworn —

Josiah ffaierfield Chosen Constable for the West End of the Town and sworn — Daniel Dodge ju^{nr} Chosen Con-

stable for the East End of the Town and Sworn. Benmin Edwards. Josiah Kimball an sworn ∧ James friend Chosen Tything-men and sworn Ebenezer Waldron Chosen Survayor of highways for the East part of the Town an sworn. Benjamin Herrick Chosen surveyor of highways for the West part of the Town an sworn Jonathan Porter — Chosen survayor of highways for the middle part of the town and sworn John Dodge sworn ∧ Benjamin ffaierfield an and Timothy Patch junr sworn ∧ are chosen Surveyers of fences — Benjamin Batcheller Chosen field drivers and sworn : Samuel Moulton also is chosen field Driver an sworn Jonathan Kimball Chosen Sealer of leather for the Town and Sworn — David Batcheller Chosen Sealer of Waits and measures for the Town and Sworn — John ffrind and Richard Kimball and Chosen hoggreefs for our Town and sworn Jonathan porter Chosen os overseer of the poor of our Town — —

At a meeting of the selectmen of Wenham March 12th 1738/9 : agreed with Samuel Tarbox to Do the work of a sexton in our Town the year Ensewing and to have four pounds for his services = also agreed with sd tarbox to keep the pound the year Insewing for the lawfull fees. — — —

March 12th 1738/9 mr John Gott mr Richard Dodge and Nathaniel Brown Tooke the oaths of Assessors. — — —

Att a meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham May the 3rd Day 1739 — The Selectmen did then agree with mr Nathaniel Brown to keep a Chool from ye Date above said to the 15 Day of Novenber next Ensewing the Date here of to Teach youth or Children to Read and wright in our Town as ye Law directs and to Encorage and pay sd school master Reasonably for his service — — —

Nathaniel Brown — John Goot

Selectmen

Richard Dodge of Wenham

The above agreement is truly Entered and ordered by the Selectmen for me so to doo.

Attest Nathaniel Brown Town Clerk

We the Subscribers being met together on the Ninth Day of April : 1739 : and have Renewed the bounds between Manchester and Wenham as follooth : beginning at a white pine marked : W : M : from thence to a Red oak Stump and so to a small maple: thence to a burch: thence to Dodges Stump so called

Rice Knowlton } for Richard Coye } for
Caleb Coye } Wenham Robert Herrick } Manchester

The above Return of Wenhams and Manchesters perambulation is truly Entered

Attest Nathaniel Brown Town Clerk.

We ye Subscribers being appointed by the Towns of Wenham and Beverly to perambulate on the line or Renew ye bounds between the Towns above said have proseeded and mutually agreed and renewed ye bounds from the white oak tree in Leftn. Raimonds pasture in Birch plain so caled . and thence to Every partcular bounds to the pine Tree . at the other corner marked : W.B: Refering to the Settlement of the bounds between the aforesaid Towns in the year of our Lord 1727. Dated this twenty-third Day of April 1739 —

Bei^a^ Balch } John Dodge
Andrew Dodge } for Zaccheus Goldsmith – junr
Benjamin Raymond } Beverly for
John Herrick } Richard Dodge Wenham

The above is a true Entry of Wenhams and Beverlys preambulations

Attest Nathaniel Brown Town Clerk —

April : 23 : 1739 —

We the subscribers being legallv authorised have this Day mett & perambulated and Renewed ye Bounds between Salem and Wenham begining at a white oaks . Tree marked : S.W.I. standing near the Northwesterly End of Wenham Casaway . thence to a heape of stones at the

Southerly End of the Casaway a reputed bounde of Porter's farm thence Southwesterly to the Walnut stump at the head of Leaches meadow where these walls mett being the reputed corner of Andrews farm from thence Southesterly to a White oak marked S.W. in the wall formerly Joseph but now Benj Herricks thence Southeasterly to a heape of stones in John Herricks orchard about seven feet Easterly from the fifth aple tree in the second row from the Sothern wall of the old orchard or orchard next the house marked S.W. thence North Easterly to a heape of stones in Benj Herricks ground thence South Easterly to a heape of stones in James Meacheans meadow. thence Southwest to the White oake in Nath[ll] Raymonts pastuer & marked S.W.B. all which bounds We have renewed by adding stones to them — — —

— Thos. Tarbox
— John Porter
— John Gott
— Benj[a] Herrick
} Com[tee] for Wenham

— Daniel Epes
— William Lynde
— Benj[a] Gerrish[t]
— Stephen Higginson
—B enj[a] Prescott
} Com[tee] for Salem

The above Return of perambulation between Salem and Wenham as Returned to me is truly Entered —

Attest Nathaniel Brown Town Clerk

May : 14th 1739 A Town meeting Duly warned and Lawfully assembled of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of Wenham to Chuse a Representative — and other Town business as by Warrant — Decon William faierfield Chosen Representative —

Deacon fairfield chosen moderator for the remaining buisness of the meeting —

Voted that the Town will build a house for the use of Aron jones and his wife on or a comandable — to that acre of land which was laid out for aron jones and his wife Dureing their Natural Lives — — —

Voted . that Samuel Gott & John Dodge & Josiah Dodge

be a comitty to build sd house Voted the Committy shall not Exseed twenty five foots in length and Eighteen In bredth and seven foot stud — finished acording to their discretion — —
Voted — the Swine may go at large being yoaked and Ringed according to Law —

Boston Novem 4 : 1738| Rec^{d} of Mr Abraham Kimball Const^{a} of Wenham. fifty two pounds in part for m^{r} Treas^{r} foye — — —
£52 – – – pr. Eben^{r} Swan

Boston Jan^{ry} 18–1738 Rec^{d} of Abr^{a} Kimball Const^{a} of Wenham fifty-two pounds Eighteen shillings and four pence — in ffull for Mr Treas^{r} ffoye
£52–18–4 pr Eben^{r} Swan
The above Reseights — from the Treas^{r} General is truly Entered — — —
Attest Nathaniel Brown Town Clerk

Att a Town meeting in Wenham Legally assembled on the 5th Day of July 1739.
In order to Chuse a committy to meet with a Committy that the Town of Topsfield hath appointed to send on the Divisional Line of sd Towns to perambulate on sd line and Renew bounds — or to make bounds in order to a peasable settlement with the Town of Topsfield — with full power from our sd Town of Wenham to issue that that affair and buisness Capt Samuel Kimball chosen moderator for this meeting.
It was put to the Town whether the Town would chuse a committy to send to meet with the Committy the Town of Topsfield hath appointed — and it past on the affirmative — the Committy chosen are as followeth m^{r} John Moulton — Capt Samuel Kimball — Ens^{n} Thomas Tarbox m^{r} John Goot and Nathaniel Brown are chosen a Committy with full power to perambulate on the sd line and renew bounds — and make new bounds If they shall think it needful as above Exprest — — —

Septem^{br} 6th 1739 At a Town meeting in Wenham lawfully assembled to Rais or grant a sum of money to pay the Towns Debts . and other buisness as by warrant &c— Capt Samuel Kimball Chosen Moderator for this meeting —

It was put to the Town whether they would give m^{r} Warren 30 pounds for this present year — his stated Sallery not being a suffisiant Support and their was no vote for it —

Voted to Rais 240– pounds to pay the Towns Debts —

Voted That the Selectmen shall adjust accounts with the Commity that was Chosen to build a house for aron Jones and his wife to live in — and to settle that mater.

Boston September — 20 1739 — Receevied of Deacon William Faier-field six pounds contributed by the Church and Congregation of Wenham under the pastoral care of the Reverend m^{r} John Warren for the services and assistance of m^{r} Savory of South Kingston in his Defence against Dr m^{r} Sparrah — Benj^{a} Colman

The above is a true Entry of the origanall Receight as Delivered to me to Enter —

Attest Nathaniel Brown Town Clerk

Boston 16 Novem^{r} 1739 Rec'd of the Trustees of Wenham hand of ^{mr} Wm Faierfield Forty-seven pounds Eight Shillings being the last 5th of the 60000£ Loan and one pound Seventeen Shillings Eleven pence interest to June 1738 — — —

Wm Foye Treasr —

£47– 8– 0 pence
1–17–11

£49– 5–11

The above Receight from the Treasurer Generall is truly Entered

Attest Nathaniel Brown, Town Clerk.

We whose names are underwritten being met together on this 14th Day of November 1739 to perambulate on the line and Renew bounds between our Respective Towns of Ipswich and Wenham and have performed said servisas as followeth — — —

viz — Beginning at the brier bush at the end of the stone wall at the west side of an apple tree in the last Row in Nathaniel Browns orchard with a heap of stones about it and so on to a white oake no standing in Nathaniel faierfields pasture marked — so on over the brook to a walnut tree standing in the stone wall between William Dodge and Thomas Whites Land — so on to a white oak tree standing in the stone wall between William Dodges Land and Timothy patch — so on to a white oak standing between Samuel Polands and Thomas Patches — so on the line to a heap of Rocks near a yellow tree marked between Samuel Poland and Stephen Patch — So on to a white oak tree standing between William Dodge and Benjamin Knowltons near the gate so on to a stump standing in Rice Knowltons stone wall so on to a great White oake tree standing in sd stone wall so on to a stump of a tree so on to a pine Stump standing on the Northly End of Snake-hill so over the swamp to the upland to a hemlock by a pine stump of a burned tree so on the Line to a Little white oak tree growing out of a stump of a bound tree near the path about 17 poles from the hemlock so on to a hemlock next the Swamp by the Edge of the upland so over the brook and small point of upland and throw the Swamp to the upland and so to Dodges Stump so called

Nathaniel Brown Selectmen
for Jonathan Kimball
Wenham Benjamin Kimball

for Ipswich Selectmen
John Whipple
Jacob Brown
Nathaniel Dane

The perambulation between Ipswich and Wenham is truly Entered

Attest Nathaniel Brown, Town Clerk

Wenham March 4th 1739:40 A General Town meeting Duly warned and Regularly assembled to Chuse Town officors for the year Ensewing as the Law directs and

other Town buisnes as by Warrant may appear Capt Samuel Kimbal Chosen moderator for this meting — John Gott Richard Dodge and Nathaniel Brown are chosen Selectmen for the year Ensueing — Nathaniel Brown chosen Town Clerk and sworn Jonathan Kimball Chosen Town Treasurer Sworn Josiah Kimball Chosen Constable for ye West: and John White for the East End of our Town and Sworn Edmond Kimball Chosen Survayor of highways for the for the midle part of our Town and Sworn Benjamin Herrick Chosen survayor for the West End of the Town & sworn: Nathaniel Dodge for the East & sworn Jacob Dodge & Benjamin Kimball chosen fence-veiueors & sworn. John Porter Chosen fence veiuer Thomas Perkins Zaccheus Goldsmith jun^{r} and John Friend are Chosen Tythingmen & sworn Lef^{t} Jonathan Kimball chosen Sealer of Leather — & sworn: John Porter ye 3 chosen hogreaf David Batcheller chosen Sealler of waights and measures and sworn
Jonathan Porter Chosen an over^{seer} of the pore — Timothy Patch . jur: Chosen hog-reaf and sworn Voted to give the Revend mr Warren thirty pounds more to be aded to the 130 pounds last year
Voted to Chuse a comitty to seat our meeting house . the persons Chosen are Deacon ffaierfield Capt Kimball: En^{s} Batcheller and Nathaniel Brown & Lt William Dodge — Voted to Rais thirty pounds to support schools in our Town — at a meeting of ye Selectmen March 10 1739/40 — John Gott Richard Dodg and Nathaniel Brown — toak the Assessors oath — Agreed with Patrick Burn to do the work of a saxon one quarter of a year for saiventeen shillings and six pence also agreed with Andrew Senter to keep the pound this year for the lawfull feese— We these subscribers being appointed and Impowered by our Respective Towns vis — Topsfield and Wenham . to settle and Renew bounds between our said Towns — their haveing ben some misunderstanding of the bounds next or near Wenham Coassaway — We having met on this thirty-first Day of March – 1740 — have mutually agreed – and settled and Renewed the bounds between our said Towns as followeth — beginning at the White-

oake stump of a tree lately felt which was Salems North Esterly corner bounds — thence twelve poles Easterly to a stake and heape of stones by the highway leading from Wenham Coassaway to bunkers meadow on the west side of said way . from thence to the plump of maples so called . but now a stump — and as the brook runs to a stake and heape of stones at the going over the brook . from thence to the South Easterly corner of pigdons meadow — and so to the River according to the Settlement in 1694 — and furthermore it is agreed that this our settlement shall not Effect any mans property — — and in Conformation of all herein above written . we have hereto set our hands the Day and year: above said —

Joseph Gould, John Wildes, Jacob Peabody ⎫ Committ for Topsfield

— John Moulton, — Samuel Kimball, Thomas Tarbox, — John Gott, Nathaniel Brown ⎫ Comite for Wenham

The above written agreement is truly Entered — Attest Nathaniel Brown Town Clerk —

May 12: 1740 At a Legal Town-meeting in Wenham to Chuse a representative — and some other buisness as by warrant

Deacon William ffaierfield chosen Representative for our Town to serve at the General Court at Boston Nathaniel Brown Chosen Moderator for the Remaining buisnes of this meeting — — —

Voted that the Swine may goe at Large being yoaked and Ringed as the Law directs

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At a meeting of the Selectmen August ye 19 . 1740. then agreed with Thomas Senter to Do the work and service of a Sexton in our Town from this time untill after the second Saboth in march next for 50 shillings —

September 17–1740– At a Town meeting of the freehold-

ers and other Inhabitants of Wenham qulified to vote in Town affairs —
to vote a sum of money to be raisd to pay the Towns Debts as by Warrant — — —
Deacon fairfield Chosen moderator for this present meeting — — —
Voted to give the Revrnd mr Warren thirty pounds for this year more than his Stated sallery . as a freegift —
Voted to Rais 220 pounds to pay the towns Debts and Ingagements

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March 1740(1– At a General Town meeting in Wenham to Chuse Town officers for the ye^{a}r Ensewing as the Law directs and other Town buisness — being Regularly assembled Made Choice of Deacon ffairfield for moderator for this meeting — —
Stephen Patch, Left Kimbell, Benjamin Herrick Josiah Dodge and Nathaniel Brown are chosen Selectmen Nathaniel Brown chosen Town Clerk and sworn John Kimball chosen Town Treasurer and Sworn — — —
Benjamin Kimball Chosen Constable for the West End of the Town and Sworn — — Timothy Patch jun^{r} Chosen Constable for the Este End of the Town but he refusing to serve paid Doun five pounds — upon which the Town provided and Chose Jacob Dodge for the Este End of the Toun Constable and sworn —
Edward Waldran Chosen Surveyor for the midle part of the Town and sworn Capt Tarbox Survayor of highways for the West part of the Town and sworn —

Caleb Coye Chosen Surveyor of highways for the East part of the Town and sworn —
Ebenezer Waldran chosen fence viewer — and sworn —
Samuel Porter junr Chosen fence viewer and sworn —
John Porter junr chosen fence viewer
David Batcheller chosen Sealer of waits and measures
Left Jonathan Kimball chosen Sealer of Leather & sworn — Josiah White Chosen Tythingman and sworn Daniel Killum jun^{r} Chosen Tythingman and sworn Daniel Killum jun^{r} Chosen Tythingman and sworn Richard Gold-

smith : chosen hogreaf & sworn John Batcheller jur. Chosen hog Reaf and Sworn — the mater conserning the School money Deferd until may meeting —

At a meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham March 9th 1740/41 then agreed with Samuel Tarbox to do the work of a Saxton in our Town one year after this Date and & ten shillings
the Town to pay him three ∧ pounds for his servis their-in — — —

May : 6 : 1741 Selectmen Agreed with Andrew Senter to keep the pound at this our meeting for this present year for the Lawfull fees — —

May 15th 1741 A Town meeting of the free holders and other Inhabitants of Wenham warned and Conveaned to make Choice of a meete person to Represent our Town at a great and General Court to be Convened holt and kept at the Courthouse in Boston on Wednesday the 27th Day of May Corant — — and other Town business as by Warrant Decon faierfield Chosen Representative for our Town — — —

Deacon ffaierfield chosen moderator for the Remaining buisness of this meeting

Voted that there be 30£ Raised by the Town this present year for the support of Schools in three several parts of the Town — and Each part of the Town that keeps a school shall receive so much out of the said sum as they pay towards it — — —

Voted that the Swine may go at Large this year being yoaked and Ringed according to Law — — —

June . 29 1741 . A Town meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of Wenham Regularly assembled to Chuse a meet person to Represent our Town at a great and General Court to be Conveaned held and kept at the Court house in Boston on WednesDay the Eight Day of July next — — and other Town buisness as by Warrant — — Deacon William ffaierfield Chosen a Representative for our Town by a greate majority

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July 20th 1741 A Town meeting of the Inhabitants of Wenham qualified to vote in Town affairs to consider

what may be Done Relating to the supplying our pulpit mr. Warren being under greate Indisposition of body . and not able to carry on the work of the ministry amongst us . as by Warrant — — Capt Tarbox Chosen moderator for this meeting —
Voted to Chuse a Committy to supply the pulpit During the Towns pleasure — Deacon ffiske — m^{r} John Gott and mr Jonathan Porter Chosen a committy to Supply our pulpit Dureing the Towns pleasure — —

October 12–1741– A Town meeting Lawfully assembled to vote to Rais money to pay our Towns & ingagements as bv Warrant
Capt Samuel Kimball Chosen moderator for this meeting — there being but a small number of voters present and the buisness grate and waghty — it was considered — and voted to ajorn this meeting unto munday the .26th. of this Instant october at 2 of the Clock — after-noon at this place to which this meeting is ajorned been over to pressed
October 26th 1741 – our Town have assembled and meet together at the time and place It was ajorned to in order to Doe the buisness of sd meeting as by Warrent — —
Voted to give the Revernd m^{r} Warren 30– pounds for this present year — — —
Voted to Rais –230– pounds to Defray the Towns Debts this year —
November 23 . Stephen Patch Lef^{t} Jonathan Kimball — — Josiah Dodge and Nathaniel Brown being Selectmen and no assessors Chosen toake the assossors oath before they mad the Rate for this year — Desember 11th Benjamin Herrick Toake the assossors — oath —

March : 2 1741/2 Att a General Town Meeting of Wenham the freeholders and other Inhabitants being Duely Warned to Chuse Town officers as the Law directs for the year Ensewing — — —
Capt Samuel Kimball Chosen modarator for this meeting — — —
Nathaniel Brown — Benjamin Edwards — Jonathan

Porter — John Baker and Zaccheus Goldsmith ju^{r} are Chosen Selectmen for this present year . Nathaniel Brown Chosen Town Clerk and sworn .
John Kimball Chosen Town Treasurer and sworn — Daniel Killum ju^{r} Chosen Constable for the East End of the Town — and James frind for the West End of the Town & both sworn — Ebenezer Waldren Chosen Surveyer of highways for the East End of the Town and Sworn — Capt Samuel Kimball for the midle part of the Town and Sworn — Josiah herrick for the West End of the Town and Sworn — Richard Kimball Chosen fence vewer an sworn
Timothy Patch ju^{r} and Benjamin Batcheller Chosen fence vewers and both sworn — Richard Goldsmith and Samuel Porter Chosen Tythenmen and both sworn — —
Lt Jonathan Kimball Chosen Sealer of Leather and sworn — David Batcheller Chosen Sealer of Weights and measures : Benjamin Trow and James Dodge Chosen hogreafe and sworn —

At a meeting of the Selectmen march :8th: 1742 — agreed with Thomas Senter to doe the work of a Sexton for one quarter of a year from this Date and to have 20^{s} for his services —

May : 14th 1742 A: Town meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Wenham Duly warned and Regularly assembled to make Choice of a Representative — and other Town buisness as by Warrant — there being no Representative Chosen this Day altho many trials theirfor — the Selectmen adjorned this meeting untill munday next the 17th of this Instant may on three of the Clock after noon at our meetinghouse in order to Chuse a Representative as by Warrant to us Directed —
May : 17 : 1742 A Town meeting upon adjorment from the 14. day of may to this Day In order to chuse a representative to Represente our Town at a Greate and General Court to be Conveand held and kept at the Town house in Boston on the 26th Day of may Corrant — We

being meet together have Indeavoured to Chuse a Representative . by all the best means we Could but could not obtain a Legal Choice and Dismist ye meeting — and Returned the Presept without any Legal Choice praying the favour of the honnourable house of Representatives — Voted the Swine may goe at Large being yoaked and Ringed acording to Law for this present year — —
At a meeting of the Select men May 17th 1742 — they Each toake the assossors oath to wit — Jonathan Porter — Benjamin Edwards John Baker — Zaccheus Goldsmith junr and Nathaniel Brown — —

At a meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham May 31– 1742 — —
agreed with m^{r} Jonathan Porter to keep our pound for this year for the lawfull feese — —

A Copie of Wenham Bounds — viz — begining at a large white oak stump formerly a tree marked .S. W. & F. the bounds between Wenham Topsfield and Salem — now with a heape of stones Round It and is the bound tree between tree between Wenham — Salem and Topsfield standinding near the North Esterly End of Wenham Casaway from thence over Wenham Causeway S.E.ly. near the E.ly End of sd causeway to a stake and heape of stones — which is the Divicinall bounds between Wenham and Porters farm — and from sd stake about S.W. to a heape of stones near the head of Leaches medow near a walnut stump which is also said to be Andrews corner bounds — from thence S.Ely to a white oak tree standing formerly in Joseph herricks land marked with S & W S.Ely to a heape of stones in Ju^{r} herricks orchard about seven feet Esterly from a small — apletree marked S & W. being the fifth tree in the Second Row in the ould orchard northward of the of the second Southward Wall — from thence No Ely to a heape of stones — formerly In John herricks ground . from thence S.Ely to a heape of stones in Jun'r meadow from thence S. wly to a white oak tree marked S W B & S — standing in Nathaniel

Raimonds pastor — which is the bound tree between Salem Wenham and Beverly —
We whose names are hereunto subscribed by an appointment of the Selectmen of the Town of Salem and Wenham have perambulated and Renewed the bounds between sd Towns & do find the agreeable to the above Description and Renewed the marks & laying more stones to the same and have also marked the apple tree in m[r] John hericks orchard with S & W which before was marked with the same — all of which is according to the Law — Settlement made between the afore said Towns — anno — 1721 — this April . 27– 1742

John Baker —
Sam[ll] Gott —
Benj[a] Herrick —
Josiah Herrick —
} for Wenham

—These—John Clarke
— Will[m] Lynde
— Sam[ll] Stone
— — —
} for Salem

the above is truly Entered — Attest Nathaniel Brown Town Clerk —

We y[e] Subscribers being appointed by the Towns of Wenham and Beverly to perambulate on the line and Renew the bounds between the Towns above sd and accordinly proceded and mutualy agreed and Renewed the bounderys between sd Towns — begining at the White oake tree in Left Nathaniel Raimonds pastuer in birch plain so caled —and thence to Every particular bounds to the pine tree at the corner marked W. B— Refering to the Settlement of the bounds between the aforesaid Towns in the year of our Lord 1727 — Dated this 19th Day of April 1742 —

Ebenezer Raymond
Andrew Elliot jur
Isaac Dodge —
} for Beverly

Zaccheus Goldsmith jur
Benjamin Edwards
} for Wenham

the above is truly Entered as I Received it
Attest Nathaniel Brown Town Clerk

Sep^{t} 28 1742 A Town meeting lawfully assembled to Rais money to pay our Towns Debts and to Raise some money for Mr Warren more than his stated Sallary and to support a school in our Town and som other buisnes as by Warrant — — —

Cap^{tn} Samuel Kimbal Chosel moderator for this meeting — — —

En^{s} Samuel Gott m^{r} Jonathan Porter m^{r} John Baker and m^{r} Ebenezer Waldren are Chosen a committy to treate with the Revnd m^{r} Warren concerning his Sallery there being but few voters at this meeting and the buisness of greate wait it was considered and voted to adjorn this meeting to the 12th Day of October next at our meeting house at 2 of the clock after noon to which this meeting is ajorned — turn over — — —

October. 12th 1742: our Town have assembled and meet together at the time and place it It was adjorned to In order to do the business of sd meeting as by Warrant — Voted to give m^{r} Warren seventy pounds for this year more than his Stated Sallery. old tener which makes 200 pounds all — —

Voted to Rais 200 . pounds besides . m^{r} Warrens 200 pounds ould tener

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Desember 20th 1742 A Town meeting Lawfully asembled in order to Receave a list of the selectmen for Juriors as by Warrant — — according to the late act of the general court the Selectmen Laid before the Town the sd list and chose a moderator to wit Capt Kimball the Town made Choice of Capt Tarbox m^{r} John Gott and Nathaniel Brown a Commity to Select out of sd List one fourth part to serve as Jurours for the Superior Court and put them into one box and the Remainder into another Box for the Inferior Court and then the Town Clerk loct then up as the Law directs — —

January 24–1742– We these subscribers being a commity apointed by Wenham and Ipswich to perambulate the line between Wenham and Ipswich we have on the above sd Day perambulated sd Line and Renewed the

bounds by marking trees and Laying stones — beginning att the Springs at a maple tree so on to a greate white oake tree — so on to a black birch on fowlers Island — so on to a beach — so on to a pine stump between fowler's Island and hemlock Island — so on to a beeach on hemlock Island so on to a Stump with stons on it so on to a Walnut tree at Ebenezer Batchellers Corner — — —
So on to the brier bush by the Roade — so on to a white oake tree standing in Nath[ll] faierfield Land — so on to a walnut tree so on to a white oake — so on to a little White oake and stones abov it so on to a heape of stones — so on to a white oake tree by the gate — so on to a white oake stub — so on to a pine Stump on the Northesterly End of Snake hill so on over the swamp to a hemlock so°n to a small white oake in a wall so on to a hemlock by the Edge of the upland so on over the brook and point of upland to Dodges stump —

Nathaniel Brown
Jonathan Porter } Selectmen
Zaccheus Goldsmith [jur]

Thomas Adams } Ipswich
Thomas Brown } Commtee
John Whipple

The above Entry of perambulation is truly Entered
Attest Nathaniel Brown Town Clerk —

March : first : 1742/3 A General Town meeting to Chuse Town officers for the year Ensewing as y[e] Law Directs and other business as by Warrant — In Wenham — — Cap[t] Samuel Kimball Chosen moderator for this meeting—

Benjamin Edwards L[t] John Baker, Nathaniel Brown Benjamin Herick and Decon Kimball are chosen Selectmen — Nathaniel Brown Chosen Towne Clerke and sworn — John Kimball chosen Town Treasurer and Sworn — Benjamin ffairfield Chosen Constable for the West End of the Town and sworn. Jonathan Kimball jun[r] Chosen Constable for the East End of the Town & sworn En[s] Samuel Got Chosen surveyer of high ways for the West End of the Town and sworn — Richard Gold-

smith Chosen surveyer of high ways for the midle part of the Town and sworn . Ebenezer Waldren chosen surveyer of highways for the East part of the Toun sworn Capt Tarbox chosen fence viewer and sworn — Josiah Batcheller chosen fence viewer an sworn — Joseph Laggett chosen fence viewer and sworn — phinehas Dodge an Timothy patch ju^{r} chosen Tythingman an sworn — John Porter } chosen Tythingman an sworn David Batcheller chosen sealer of waits and measures and sworn Jonathan Kimball ju^{r} chosen sealer of leather an sworn Ebenezer Batcheller ju^{r} an John White chosen hogreefs an sworn —

Voted to leave the whole matter concerning Aaron Jones to the Selectmen untill may meeting — voted to give John Moulton ju^{r} thirty shillings for his servic.

Wenham March first : 1742/3 : then the Selectmen Deliverered to m^{r}: David Batcheller Sealer of Waights and measures as followth — powder measures : 2 : quarts — one : quart : one pint : one half pinte.one jill — — brass weights : 4 pounds — 2: pounds — one pound : half pound — one-quarter — one half : quarter of a pound — one ounce — one half ounce — —

David Batcheller — — —

Wenham march : 5th 1742/3: the above is a true Entry: signed by sd: David Batcheller

Attest Nathaniel Brown Town Clerk

At a meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham: March 7th 1742/3: agreed with Thomas Senter. to do the work of a saxton for the year Ensowing for four pounds old tener — and at the same time agreed with Samuel Tarbox to keep the pound the year Ensewing for the lawfull fees.

1742/3 At a meeting of the Selectmen March 7th Deacon Kimball and Benjamin Edwards toak the assessors oath and in the 14th of March : Left John Baker Benjamin Herrick an Nathaniel Brown Did take sd oath — — — Wenham November : y^{e} : 30th 1742 we these subscribers agreed with mr– Jonathan Perkins to keep a chool in our Toun to teach our Children to Reade : wright and scy-

pher : six months from this present Date in such perticuler places as the Selectmen shall order and appoint for that service — and to pay sd perkins five pounds old tener : p^{r} month — and find him his borde — the sd money to be paid at the End of the six months — — — In Confirmation of all here above written we have here unto set our hands — — — In full Concente hereof

Jonathan Perkins— Nathaniel Brown, Benjamin Edwards, Jonathan Porter, John Baker, Zaccheus Goldsmith jun^{r} } Selectmen

At a meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham January: 14: 1742/3 — m^{r} Jonathan perkins haveing ben agreed with to keep a school in our Toun for six months as by sd agreement We being well sattisfied of his ability for that service — and his sober and good Conversation Do aprobate the said m^{r} Jonathan Perkins to keep a school in our Toun for the time agreed for — he Continueing in such sober Conversation — — —

Jonathan Perkins— Nathaniel Brown, Benjamin Edwards, Jonathan Porter, John Baker, Zaccheus Goldsmith ju^{r} } Selectmen

The above written a greement and approbation is truly Entered — — —

Attest Nathaniel Brown Town Clerke

Wenham may.y^{e}.12th 1743 I This Subscriber receaved of the Selectmen of sd Wenham by orders to the Town Treasurer the sum of twenty-two pounds.15^{s}.old tener— In full of all Demand of sd Selectmen or Town of sd Wenham.for my service in keeping a school in sd Toun: and is in full of all Demands of sd Toun — In what nature so Ever as Witness my hand the Day above said —

Jonathn Perkins

the above Receight is truly Enterd as signed and deliverd to me — Atest Nathaniel Brown Town Clerke —

May : 13th 1743 A Toun Meeting lawfully assembled to

Chuse a Representative to Represente our Town at a greate and General Court or assembly appointed to be Convened.held and keept for his majestys service.at the Court house In Boston.upon WednesDay the twenty-fifth Day of May Corant — and other Town buisness as by Warrant — John Dodge Chosen Representative —
Capt Kimball Chosen moderator for the Remaining business of this meeting —
Voted that Richard Goldsmiths petition concerning the highway be granted as set forth in the Warrent — voted — that the swine may go at large being yoaked and Ringed according to law — John Dodge — John Kimball John Porter jur: Phinehas Dodge.and Benjamin Herrick are Chosen a Committy to Seate our Meeting house — — —

At meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham July 11 1743— agreed with Nathaniel Brown to keep a school in our Town for three months from this Date to learn our Children and youth to Reade and wright as the Law Directs — and to have Reasonable sattisfaction for his service —

Jonathan Kimball
Benjamin Edwards
John Baker
Benj[a] Herrick
} Selectmen

September 5th 1743 A Town meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of Wenham Lawfuflly assembled to Rais money to pay the Towns Debt — and to see what to vote for m[r] Warren more than his stated Sallery for this present year as by Warrant — —
Cap[t] Kimball Chosen moderator for this present meeting
Voted to adjorn this meeting untill Munday next at.3: of the Clock after noon to which this meeting is adjorned
Sept 12– 1743 A Town meeting of the Inhabitants of Wenham Regularly assembled upon adjornment from September.5th to this time to Raise money as set forth by y[e] warrante — — —
voted to Rais 150 pounds, old tener to pay the towns Debts besides what we shall Rais for m[r] Warren — —

voted to give m^{r} Warren 70 pounds more than his stated Sallery for this present year old tener the whole that is to be Raisd is 350 pounds old tener—

Desember 14–1743– A Town meeting of the freeholders and other inhabitants of Wenham lawfully assembled to procure a List from the Select men for Jurors to be put into Each Box as the Town shall see meet — and Concerning Aaron Jones.as by Warrant Expresseth — Capt Kimball chosen moderator for this meeting — the Selectmen laid before the Town a list of Jurors for the Towne approbation — The Town Chose — Left William Dodg Capt Thomas Tarbox and m^{r} John Gott a committy to seperate the sd list and put Into Each box as the Law directs — and the Town Clerk lock them up safe — — Voted that the Selectmen shall sell Aaron Joneses personal estate for his maintainence

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At a meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham April 2th 1744. Agreed with Thomas Senter to due the work of a Sexton in our Town for the year ensewing and to have one Pound of the nue omission for his service & priviledg to Dige graves —

At a meeting of the Selectmen April 2th 1744. Nathaniel Brown Richard Dodge John Gott Josiah Herrick toake the assessers oath.

Desember 14th 1743 — We these Subscribers Selectmen of Wenham agreed with m^{r} John Heart of Ipswich to keep a School in our Town four months to Learn our Children and servants to Read wright and scypher ye sd four months to begin the 20th Day of this Instant Desember in such places in our Town as sd Selectmen shall order and appoint for that service — and to pay sd Heart five pounds old tener pr month for his service and finds him his boarde for sd time. and at the end of the four months to pay him as above Exprest — and In confirmation of all herein above written we have hereunto set our

hands in full Consent there of — — —

	Nathaniel Brown	⎫
	Benjamin Edwards	⎪
John Hart	Benjamin Herrick	⎬ Selectmen
	John Baker	⎭

At a meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham January 23– 1743/4 — — —

M[r] John Hart of Ipswich haveing ben agreed with to keep a school in our Town for 4 months as by sd agreement we being well sattisfied of his abillity for that service — and and his sober Conversation — Do aprobate the sd m[r] John Hart to keep a school in our Town for the time agreed for — he Continuing in such sober Conversation — — —

Nathaniel Brown		⎫
Benjamin Edwards		⎪
Benjamin Herrick		⎬ Selectmen
John Baker		⎭

the above agreement and aprobation of our scho°lmastr is truly entered

(Town Clerk

Attest Nathaniel Brown

March 6– 1743[4]. A General Town meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants in Wenham qualified by law to vote in the Choice of Town officers and other buisness as by warrant — — —

the Choise as followeth — John Dodge Chosen moderator for this meeting — — —

John Gott Deacon Kimball — Richard Dodge — Josiah Herrick — and Nathaniel Brown are chosen Selectmen — then the moderator adjoined the meeting to muday the.19th of this instant March at one of the clock after noon at our mettin house to do the Remaing buisness of said meeting

March 19th 1744 — A Town meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of Wenham met on adjornment from March 6th to this present time to Do the Remaining buisness of sd meeting as by Warrant — — —

David Batcheller Chosen Town Clerk and Sworn : Beniamin Herrick Chosen Town Treasurer and Sworn
Voted to Chuse the Remaning officers By holding up of hands.
Nathaniel Bragg is chosen cunstable for the West End of our Town and sworn. Richard Kimbell is chosen Cunstable for the East of our Town and Sworn. Ebenezer Batcheller and Beniamin Trow are chosen Tything men and Sworn Timothy Patch is Chosen Survayer of high ways for the East End of the town and sworn. Jonathan Porter is chosen Survayer of high ways for the middel part of the Town and Sworn — Abraham Kimbell is chosen Survayer of highways the West End of our Town and Sworn. Ebenezer Woldren: Beniamin Kimbell & John Frind are Chosen Survayers of fences & sworn Jonathan Kimbell Juner is chosen Sealer of Leather and Sworn. David Batcheller is Chosen Sealer of Waits and measurs and sworn. David Dodge — Samuel Moulton & Samuel Porter are chosen hoggreefs and sworn — voted that the Selectmen should makeup with Nehemiah Dodge he maeking a Demand on the town for his Duing Sumthing for Aaron Jons
Note that these votes and officers that ware Sworn wors on the Day of the Date above said adiurnment —

Att a Meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham April. 2th 1744 — — —
Agreed with Samuel Tarbox sen^{r} to be pound keeper for the year Ensewing & to have the Law full fees for his Service —
May : 17 1744 A Town meeting lawfully assembled to chuse a Representative to Represent our Town at A Great and General Court or Assembly appointed to be Convened hold and keept for his Maiestys Sarves at the Court house In Boston upon Wednesday the thirtyth Day of May Corant — and other Town buisness as by warrant.
John Dodge Chosen Representative
Nathaniel Brown chosen moderator for the Remaining buisness of the above dated meeting —

Voted that Swine may goo at Large being yoaked and Ringed according to law. as by Warrant Directed.
At a meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham July 2th: 1744 —
Agreed with mr Nathaniel Brown to keep a school in our Town three months from this Date to Larne our Children and youth to Read and wright as The Law Directs— and to have Reasnable sattisfaction for his Service —

Jonathan Kimball
John Gott
Richard Dodge
} Selectmen

September 11 : 1744 A Town Meeting of the freeholders and other inhabitants of Wenham Lawfully Assembled to Rais money to pay the Town Debts & to See.what to vote for mr Warren more than his stated Sallery the present year.& for the Town to give Direction conserning the Schools to be keept in our Town as by warrant — — mr Nathaniel Brown Chosen moderator for the Present meeting — — —
Voted to give mr Warren.70 pounds old Tenor.more then his Stated Sallery for this present year. Voted for to be Raised.350.pounds old Tenor in all for the.paing the Town Debts & the Rising Expence of the Town this year — as By warrant Directed : no Vote of the Town concerning schools : but left it with ye Selectmen as usual.
Wenham march.11:1744/5 Then Recd. of Jona Kimbell Late Cunstable.of Wenham the Sum of Seven Shiling. and nine Pence.in full of his Town Liste of Rates for the year 1743 — I Say Receved By me Samuel Gott Town Treasurer — This is Truly entred Atteste David Batcheller Town Clerk

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March 11:1744/5 Samuel Tarbox.at a meeting of the Select men of Wenham was put in a Pound keeper for the Town of Wenham for the year Ensuing and to have Lawfull fees for his Service.
At a Town meeting July 2th: 1744 : to chuse Jury men : Simon Patch and Samuel Moulton are chosen By Droing out of the Box to Serve on the Jury of trials at a court

to be houlden at Salem the 10 of This Instant July. Inferer Court.

July : 27 1744 A Town meeting Lawfuly assembled to Chuse a County Register — — —

In obediance to the authority. Cap^{tt} Samuel Kimbell chosen Moderator : the town Voted as by Law Directed and in foulded the Votes and Returned them according to Warrant.

At ameeting of the Selectmen of Wenham November ye 26th: 1744.

Then agreed with m^{r} John Hart of Ipswich to keep a school in our Town. to teach and Instruct our Children to Read and wright and Scypher as the law Dírects. Four months from this present Date : and to give him five pounds pr. month old tenor and Board him the sd time agreed for — all ways provided ye sd Hart continues in a sobor conversation.

John Hart

Nathaniel Brown
Jonathan Kimball
Richard Dodge
John Gott
Josiah Herrick
} Selectmen

The above Entrey is truly Entered as Delivered.

Atteste David Batcheller Town Clerk —

March : 5 : 1744/5. A Gineral Town meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitance in Wenham. qualified By Law to Vote in the Choice of Town officers and other buisness as By warrant : The Choice as followeth : Cap^{tt} Samuel Kimbel is Chosen moderator for the bisness of the present meeting. Deacon Kimball John Gott Benjamin Edwards Josiah Herrik and David Batcheller : Are Chosen Selectmen. David Batcheller chosen Town Clerk and Sworn.

Samuel Gott Chosen Town Treasurer and Sworn . Voted to chuse ye Remaining officers by handy Votes. John Frind Chosen Cunstable for the Weste Eand of our Town and Sworn. David Dodge. Chosen Cunstable for the East end of our Town and Sworn. Edmond Kimbell Samuel Porter and Samuel Moulton are chosen Each of

um Tythingmen and are Sworn. Abraham Kimbell is chosen survayor of high ways for the West end of our Town and sworn. Benjamin Kimbell is chosen Survayor of high ways for the middel part of our Town & Sworn. Richard Dodge is Chosen Survayors of high ways for the East end of our Town and Sworn — Leuten William Dodg. Nathanel Kimball & James frind are Chosen fence vewers or suvuayer of fences & each are sworn. Benjamin Fairfeld and Jacob Dodge are Chosen fearld Drivers and Each are Sworn.

David Batcheller is chosen Sealer of waits and mesurs and sworn —

Jonathan Kimbell junr is chosen Sealer of Leather and sworn. Thomas Patch and Bartholomew Dodg Each chosen hogreafs and Sworn. Each officer that are sworn was on ye day of ye above Dated town meeting —

March : 11 1744/5 At a meeting of the Selectmen. Deacon Kimbell Benjamin Edwards John Gott Josiah Herrick. and David Batcheller. Each toake the assessors oath. — — —

At a meeting of ye Selectmen Wen^{m} March 11th: 1744/5. then agreed with Thomas Senter to Due all the busness of a Sexton for our town for the Ensewing year & to have for his service one Pound two Shilings & Six pence — & have the priveledg of Diging graves for our Town

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We the Subscribers Being Lawfully authorized have this Day mett and perambulated and Renewed the Bounds Between Salem and Wenham Begining att a White oake Stump with Stons about it Standing about one Road and an halfe Nor Easterly from The Fiske's Barn. and Near ye North End of Wenham Cauesway — from thence over Said Causeway & Easterly to a Stake and Stons Standing ond the Westerly Side of ye said Causeway wich is the Divisnoual Bounds Between Wenham and porters Farm — thence A Bout So west to a Stake & Stons Standing near the head of Leaches meadow at ye Eastwardly Eand of ye Divisinall Wall Between porters and — — Andrews Land — from thence South Eastrly to a Wite

Oak Tree Standing in The Wall Between Benjamin Herrick and John Bakers : marked S and W from Thence South Easterly to a heap of Stons in Josiah Herricks orchard about Seven feet Easterly from a Small apple tree marked S and W. Being ye Second tree in the second Row now Now Standing in ye old orchard Northward of the second Southern Wall — from thence Northeasterly to a heap of stons in benj^{m} Herricks Land — from thence Sou Easterly to a Heap of Stons in or Near James Meachams meadow from thence Southwerly to a White oake Tree marked S W B & S:
Standing in Nathaniel Rayments Land wich is is the Bound Tree between Salam — Wenham and Beverly — All wich Bounds wee have Renewed — Salam — April 23–1745.

John Porter, Josiah Fairfield, Abraham Kimbell, Josiah Herrick } Commity for Wenham

Daniel Ipes Junr, John Proctor Ju^{r}, Samuel Ipes Ju^{r}, John Andrews } Com for Salam

The above Renewal of Bounds is truly Entred as it was Deliver me : Atteste David Batcheller Town Clerk.
Wee the Subscribers Being appointed & Impowred by the Selectmen of Topsfeld & Wenham to Perambulate & Renew bounds between our sd Towns have one this Day mett & have mutually agreed and have Renewed the Boundareys Between our sd Towns — as followeth beginning at a white oak Stump of a tree Lately fell wich was Salams northeastly Corner Bounds — thence Twelve poles Easterly to a Stak and Heap of Stons by the highway Leading from Wenham Caseway to Bunkers meadow on the weste side of sd way — from thence to the plump of maples so Caled but Now a Stump — and thence as the Brook Runeth to a Stake and heap of Stons at the going over the Brook from thence to the South Easterly Corner of pigdons meadow So called — and so

to the River all wich is according to the Settlement in the year 1740 — and in Confirmation of all above Ritten we have hear unto Seat to our hands — — Dated april : 23: anno Dom: 1745 — — —

Michael Dwinel, Jeremiah Towne, Richard Towne — Ebenezer Fiske., Samuel Porter Jur, John Moulton Junr, David Batcheller

The above is a true Entrey as it was Preambulated by us: Atteste David Batcheller Town Clerk –

A bay mare taken up Damage fesant by John Dodge of Wenham the third Day of October 1741 — artifically marked the Resemblanc of A. W. on her left shoulder Wenham October. 7th 1741 by me — — —

John Dodge —

Wenham October ye 6th 1741 — Thomas Kimball and Josiah White being appointed and Sworn by Jonathan Wade Justis of the pease to make an apprisement of a certain bay mare branded on the left shoulder with a Doble W. taken up by John Dodge being prised at Seven pound twelve and six pence by us — Josiah White — Thomas Kimball — the above writen is truly Entered as Delivered to me to Enter — attest Nathaniel Brown Town Clerk —

Wenham January 7th 1743/4 This is to Enform that I have found a silver buckle upon the Country Road ware upon you are Ordered to Enter the same according to law.

Joseph Elson

March 11 1744/5 David Dodge had the mark of his Sheep entered as foloweth —

up one the Rite Ear a Swolow tail and a slitt on the under side of the same ear : & the Lefte ear a croop only —

This may Certifie that : mr Nathaniel fairfeld & mr Jeremiah Dodge

ware appointed Sworn to prise a Darke Colored young gelding a bout 13 hands high with Sum white hairs in his forhead: with a bushey main. never trimed & with the hare cutt of the underside of the taile & never Docked & he is only Shod Be fore no artifichal marks : Wenham:

June 12th: 1746 tacken Damaige feasent by mr Nehemiah Dodge in his Inclosure June 18: 1746 : the above menchened apprisors ware sworn before mr Jonathan Wade Jus of peace.
a pair of Stears taken up Damag feasent by Jonathan Dodge of Wenham: one al Read Excepting sum white about the gambrell place : the other Read & white : Each marke with the Toop of the right ear cut of & a half peney cut out of the upper side of the Same ear. & Each the tip end of there horns cut of. these ware impounded the nine Day of October by the afore said Jonathan Dodge
Boston : 5 : January : 1746 Recd of mr John Friend Consta of Wenham Seventy two pounds two Shillings four pence D E. in full

Wm Foye Tresr.

The above Copy is truly Entered: Attest David Batcheller Town Clerk.

Wenham march ye: 16 : 1746/7 then Resd of Samll Gott Late Treasurer the Sum of Twenty one pounds Twelve Shillings. & Eight pence which is in full from Gott to the Town —

Jonathan Kimball Town Treasurer —

The above & foregoing Receipt. is a true Copy — attest David Batcheller Town Clerk
Boston : 21 Janue 1747 Recd of mr Saml porter Consl oof Wenham Fifty five pounds ten Shillings three pence : lE in full

— — — W. Foye — Treasr — —

The above Copy is truly Entered by me:— Atteste David Batcheller Town Clerk —

Boston : 21 Janure: 1747 Recd of mr Ebr Batcheller Const of Wenham Sixty seven pounds one Shilling : 5d : L E. in full

W. Foye Treasr — — —

the above & fore going Receipt is truly Entered by me— Attest David Batcheller Town Clerk.

Boston 8 Desm : 1748 Recd of mr John Killum Cons of

Wenham Thirty seven pounds L E part Wm foye Tresr the above & fore going is a true Copy:—
Attest David Batcheller Town Clerk
Boston feb y 3 1748 Rec of m^{r} John Killum Consta of Wenham forty-one pounds, five Shillings L E. in full for my husband Wm foye Treas^{r}: this is a true Copy
Attes David Batcheller Town Clerk —
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Commance
1731/2 for acts of the Town Look in the page first and second:
1732 for Town acts Look in the pages 3:— four five Six: 3:4:5:6:
Taken up by Samuel Rogers on the nineteenth of March 1749 within the Town of Wenham in Paper Bills of one of the Neighbouring Governments to the amount of Eight Pieces of Eight and four ninths as they now Courrantly Pass which was posted by said Rogers according to Law – the 20 of May 1750 the artifical mark of the Chattle Belonging to Edward Herrick of Wenham is the top of the Right Ear cut off —
Taken up by one of the Family of me the Subscriber on the 20 of Febr 1752 in the Road near Wenham meeting house a Silver Knee Buckle which has been Posted according to Law— Jon^{a} Kimball Junr Taken up by me the Subscriber in the high way in this Town A mouse Coulered mare with A Black main & Tail about 12: or 14 hands high with a Black list upon her Back & with a gaul on her Back Shod on her fore feet & no Shoes on behind & never Trimmed on the Top of her head —
Wenham May ye 3rd 1756. Israel Dodge
A True Entry attest Sam^{ll} Goodridge
Town Clerk —
Wenham May y^{ee} 5th 1757
Taken up Damage Feasant in my Inclosure in S. Wenham & Impounded In our Town Ground by me the Subscriber A Certain Black Horse with one White foot about Thirteen Hands High Judged to be about four or five year old & has no Artificial Mark Whoever is the owner of sd Horse may have him again Paying Charges – Jacob

Dodge A True Entry attest Sam^{ll} Goodridge Town Clerk Taken up & Impounded (as a stray) In this Town a mare about four years old of A Grey Colour The Two Left feet white About Eleven hands high A white streak in her forehead & no Artificial mark

Edwd. Waldron

Wenham May 4 : 1758

A True Entry Att Sam^{ll} Goodridge Town Clerk — Taken up as Strays and Impounded in The Pound in this Town Two Heifers one year old marked as Followeth one is a Brown Colour with a White Tail and all Her feet white the other is a Red Colour with a White Back and Tail and Some white Spots about her Neither of Them have any Artificial mark — The owner may have Them Applying to

Amos Dodge —

Wenham — Nov 7 : 1759 — A True Entry Atts^{t}– Jon^{a} Kimball Town Clerk —

Taken up Damage feasants by me the Subscriber A Certain Black Horse Impound^{d} in Wenham Town Pound this 27th of April 1773 — About Thirteen hands high & about Ten year and has no artificial mark — Whoever is the owner of sd horse may have him again Paying Charges

Sam^{ll} Fiske Topsfield

A True Entery Attest Tyler Porter Town Clerk

December 20th 1742 Capt Tarbox Chosen to serve on the grand jury and Janes Kimball and Jonathan Kimball ju^{r} on the petty Jury and both taken out of the box there names —

July 2 : 1744 Simon Patch & Samuel Moulton are Chosen to Serve on ye petty Jury at Salem —

November 5th 1744 At a Town Meeting Lawfully Assembled to chuse Jury men to Serve on a Superior Court to be holden at Salam 13th of this Instant m^{r} Samuel Gott & m^{r} John Dodge Chosen to Serve on the grand jury : & m^{r} Nathanel Brown m^{r} Wiliam Dodge & m^{r} Benjamin Herrick & m^{r} John Baker Chosen to Serve on the petty jury | December 12 : 1744. Ebenezer Waldren chosen grand jury to serve ye year and to Serve on the petty jury

Benjamin Trow & Timothy Patch Juner : at a court at Salam 25 Desem inferor Court —
June 21: 1745: At a Town meeting to chuse Jury men: Edmand Kimbell & Jacob Dodge are chosen to serve on the petty Jury Both Drown out of sd Box
October 31 1745 At a town meeting the Selectmen Laid a List of 5 men to put in to the grand jury box & voted to put them in —
John Dodge & David Batcheller chosen for to serve on the grand jury & cap Samuel Kimball Nathaniel Faierfield John Kimbell & Zaccheas Goldsmith chosen to Serve on pettey jury at a Superior Court at Salam — — —
March 4.1745[6] A List for Jurors was Laid before the town at there annual Town meeting & Excepted by a vote of the town and at the same tim by a vote of the Town: Cap[tt] Thomas Tarbox m[r] Nathaniel brown & Nathaniel Fairfeld ware chosen by a vote of y[e] Town to Divid the jurior names in sd list into Each Box as by Law Directed and mack Return of there Doings to the Towne nexte May town meeting — — —
June 30 : 1746 : Nathaniel Kimball and Rice Knowlton Juner Chosen to sarve on the pettey jury at y[e] inferior Court at Salam — — —

A List of Sundry persons given in to the Selectmen of Wenham — 8 persons in all — & warned to Depart March.1[day].1747 Elizabeth Davison Abigal Davison Nowell Davison — Came last from Ipswich hamblet to my house in Wenham — sum time in the month of October in the year 1747 — — The above persons named & time of coming to our Town: and the person assigning the same — it is a true Copy — Attest David Batcheller Town Clerk

Thomas Patch his + mark

David Irlon Mary Irlon Benjamin Irlon Martha Irlon Elizabeth Irlon — came from Ipswich hamblet one the

12 day of March in the year 1746 to my house in Wenham

her
wid Sarah × Dodge
mark

The above is a true Copy as it was given in — Attest David batcheller Town Clerk

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To the Selectmen of Wenham.
These are to inform you that I the Subscriber have Taken into my Dwelling House in Wenham on the Eleventh Day of this Instant June A Family, namely The wife of William Lofty of of Marblehead with her Sister Susannah Wilkins & three children the names as follows William & Benjamin & Prudence Dated Ipswich June ye 27: 1753 : as witness my hand The foregoing Information is Truly Recorded Samuel Patch

Att^st^ Samuel Goodridge Town Clerk

To the Selectmen of Wenham these are to Inform you that I Have Taken into my house in S^d^ Wenham on ye 17 Day of Nov^br^ Last Past, Daniel Poland with Sarah his wife & 3 small Children Daniel, Sarah, & Anna Under Low Circumstances, ye last Place of their abode was in Chebacco. Parish in Ipswich, Wenham Dec ye 3: 1753
The foregoing Information is Truly Recorded

Richard Dodge

Att^st^ Samuel Goodridge Town Clerk.

Taken up as a Stray this Sixteenth Day of May 1760 and Impounded in the Pound in Wenham by the Subscriber a Dark Coloured Gelding about Thirteen hands high Branded with the Letter (S) on the near Shoulders and a White Spot on the Right Side of the Back and a Short Dock —

Jonh Porter

The foregoing Information is Truly Recorded

Attest Jon^a^ Kimball Town Cler

To Be Sould By Vendue to ye Highest Bidder at the meeting Hous — In Wenham on Munday the Third Day of octo^r^ next by us the Subscribers
A Committee Chosen and Impowered By the Town of

Wenham of Sd — To Sell the Right of Ground By the Wall on the Lower flower whair on To Erect Twenty three pews in sd meeting Hous — wich is agreable to ye Vote of the sd Town

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1 ——— No Person to Bee a bidder but Such persons as are freeholders in sd Town
2 No Person to Bid after they have purched one Right—
3 that Every Purchor Shall Emeadeatly on the purtchis to the Committee aforsd.
The Sum of Three pounds : ten Shillings : or not Be accounted a purchior. — — —
4 That Every purchior that Shall Give Earnist : as afor Sd. and Shall not Compleet and Pay the one halfe of the purtchis — with ye Earnest att ye Sail — By the Last Day of Sd octo^r^ — that they Shall forfitt ye Earniest afor sd — unto ye Town afor sd —
5 that if aney Purchior Shall Neglect to pay the Last Halfe payment By ye Last Day of Novemb^r^ Next then sd Committee Shall prosead to Sell sd Dilinquant — Right in manner of sd — — —
6 No person to Be accounted to bid Except they Bid five Shillings or more at a Ttime
N. B the Sail is to begin at ten of ye Clock at Sd hows on sd Day in ye morning.
Wenham — Sepr 26 : 1748 —

John Gott, John Dodge, Jona Porter } the Towns Committee for Seting of pews

This is a Copy of the vendue seat up By the parsons named & is a true Copy for Sum & Substance to what was given me to Enter. Er^r^ows Excepted Attest David Batcheller Town Clerk).—

Boston may 4.1753 Recd of m^r^ Nath^ll^ Kimball Const^ll^ of Wenham Twenty two Pounds four shillings £M: in Part

Wm Foye Treas^r^

Boston Aug^st^ 8: 1753

Recd. of m^r^ Nath^ll^ Kimball Junr of Wenham Constable

The sum of Seven Pounds Tew Shillings in part of Taxes for the year 1752
For my Husband Treasurer Gray
℔ Elizabeth Gray ——
Boston Sep^{tr} 1: 1753

Rec^{d} of m^{r} Nathaniel Kimball Constable of Wenham by the hands of m^{r} Jonathan Kimball The Sum of Ten Pound six shillings
10: 6:
H. Gray Treas^{r} —

The three above Rec^{ts}
are Truly Entred according To ye original
Attst Sam^{ll} Goodridge Town Clerk
Wenham Decr 28th 1753

Then Recd of m^{r} Nath^{ll} Kimball J^{r} Constable fifty four Pounds one Shilling in full —
By me John Friend Town Treas^{r}

the above Rec^{t} Is Truly Recorded. Attst Samuel Goodridge Town Clerk

To The Town Clerk in Wenham Greeting

I The Subscriber have on the 12 of this Instant May Taken up and Impounded a mare of an Iron Grey Colour & Black Mane and Tail with a white Streak in her face Judgd to be about Eight or nine years old and the same is by order of Josiah Fairfield Esqr apprised at the Sum of Two Pounds Ten Shillings May 14: 1762 NB 13 hands and ½ high
Edward Waldron

Taken up by the Subscriber in April 1763 a Stray white Sheep The Topp of Each Ear Cut off the owner may have her by applying and Paying the Cost To Josiah Trow
Wenham April 30: 1763

To the Town Clerk in Wenham, Receved the following namely Taken up & impounded in Wenham Town pound a Dark Rone Gelden or of an iron Grey Colour, with four white feet, with a Star in his face between his Eyes, which inclineth a Little to a Blaise, and with a white Spot between his nosstrills: Supposed to be about twelve years old, about fourteen hands hight: without Any Artificial mark. Said Gelden is Apprized at four

Pounds ten Shillings pr order of Nathaniel Brown Esq. and was Taken up Damage feasant in the inclosure of me the Subscriber: on the fourth Day of this instant October — pr Samuel Porter Junior
Wenham October 7th 1766: Truly Enterd
Attest Edward Waldron Town Clerk
Taken up by me the Subscriber on the Seventh day of this instant November two Stray Horses the one is a Small dark Coloured horse with a blaize in his forehead, & a short Tail — The Other is a large bay horse with a Star in his forehead & a Short Tail — Said Horses have ben Prised the one (to wit) the Small horse at five Pounds the other at Six Pound thirteen Shillings & four pence.—
Pr Thos Brown —
Wenham November 10: 1766
The above is truly Recorded
Attest Edward Waldron Town Clerk
Taken up Damage Feasant in Wenham Great Swamp Propriety So Called and Impounded in Wenham Town Pound by me the Subscriber thre yearlings one a Dark Brown Stear with white face one Brindled heifer, no mark one Red heifer with a Star in the forehead no artificial on Either of them
Wenham Septbr 10th 1773 pr Ebenezer Kimball Hawand
The above is Truly Recorded Attest
Tyler Porter Town Clerk
Wenham Octobr ye 11th 1758
Upon Complaint made To us the Subscribers |Surveyors of fences| by Daniel Killam of Sd Wenham against mr Nathll Fairfield of the Same Wenham for want of A— Division Fence Betwixt the sd Nathanael & himself Respecting the Divisional Fence Betwixt their Two Homesteads We have therefore in Compliance with the Request of the Said Daniel & also at the Desire & By the Consent of the said Nathanael measured & Divided sd Fence in manner as Followeth (viz) Begining at A Stone Placed in the Ground by the Road at the Southeast Corner of sd fairfields Land thence Runing about Northwest as the sd Fence now stands Twenty three Rods Lacking four Inches to A Stone Placed in the Ground Setting sd Twen-

ty three Rods from the Road afore s^{d} Tos^{d} Stone ToS^{d} Fairfield for his Division thence Runing from s^{d} Stone onward the Same Course To A walnut Stump Being the North West Corner Bounds Betwixt s^{d} Fairfield & s^{d} Killam thence Turning South Westwardly & Runing as the Fence Now Stands Untill ItComes Tothe Westwardly Corner bounds Betwixt s^{d} Parties being twenty Three Rods lacking four inches from s^{d} Stone which Second Division weSet to S^{d} Killam thence Turning Southwardly & Runing as the Fence now Stands fourteen Rods & six feet To A Stone — Placed in ye Ground which third Division from S^{d} Corner Tos^{d} Stone we set To S^{d} Fairfield thence Runing onward as the Fence now Stands from S^{d} Stone fourteen Rods & six feet untill weCame Tothe Road aforesaid which Fourth & Last Division from S^{d} Stone to S^{d} Road we Sett to S^{d} Killam

In wittness hereof we hereunto Sett our hands the Day & year above said —

Edwd Waldron } Surveyors
Thos Brown }

Wenham April ye 24th 1760

Wee Jacob Dodge, and Edward Waldron, both of Wenham afore s^{d} Gent^{n} and yeoman have divided fence between us as followeth, beginning at the Corner by the Highway and Runing Southwest, as the Wall now Standeth, to the Hallow on ye Hill to a Stone Set into ye Ground on sd Dodge's Side, which is Eighteen Rods or there Abouts: and then from sd Stone to Mark Dodge's Corner being the same length aforesd . And have Set the Eastwardly End from sd stone, to sd Jacob, and the Westwardly End to sd Edward in Confirmation of the Above we hereunto set our hands the year and day above sd —

Jacob Dodge
Edward Waldron

Nath^{ll} Hubbard Dodge
Barnabas Dodge

The above is a True Entery of the Original,
Attest Edward Waldron Town Clerk

Wenham November 8th 1768

Taken up Damage Feasant in my inclosure in sd Wenham and impounded in sd Town Pound, a Cow of a Black Colour, with a white Face, with a Crop in the Right Ear, and a half penny in the under Side of the Same. And in the Left Ear a half Crop. the Same is Apprized at the Sum of two Pounds ten Shillings and Eight Pence pr warrant from Nathaniel Brown Esqr dated the 11th day of sd November.

Luke Dodge

The above is a true Record of the Original

Attest Edw Waldron Town Clerk

Essex ss:

Wee the Subscribers Surveyors of fences for the year Current, upon the Complaint of Capt Jacob Dodge of Wenham, for want of a division of fence between him the sd Jacob, and Peter Dodge of the Same Wenham Have at the Request of the Compainant Repaired to a Place Known by the Name of White's Land in sd Wenham, adjoining to the twenty a(cre So Called) near Ipswich line, and have divided fence between the above named Parties as followeth (viz) Beginning at the end of the fence between the sd Jacob, & Peter, next the Lower Corner of sd Twenty Acres and begining at sd Corner we Run westerly upon the fence between ye two Contending Parties Sixteen Rods & a half to a Stake & Stones, which said Sixteen rods and an half we have Set to the sdJacob. — Thence Run onwards Sixteen Rods & an half untill we came to the Land that sd Peter lately purchased of Timothy Patch Late of sd Wenham, which last Sixteen Rods & half we set to the sd Peter as his Part of sd fence. Then we Turned Southerly upon the fence between the sd Jacob Dodges sd White's land and the sd Peters lately Purchased of the sd Patch and Run Seven Rods as the fence now stands which Seven Rods we Set to the sd Peter as his Part of his Second String of fence about sd Premises — Then we Run onward the Same Course Seven Rods to Quarleses land lately Purchased of sd Patch, which last Seven Rods we Set to the above sd Jacob Dodge as his Part of his Second String offence

about sd Premissess. — In Confirmation whereof we hereunto Set our hands the Second day of May Anno Domini 1767

Josiah Herrick Junr } Survey
Richard Dodge Junr } of
fences f
Wenham

The above is a true Record of the Original Attest Edward Waldron Town Clerk

Taken up & impounded by me the Subscriber Damage Feasant in my inclosure in Wenham two, two year old Heifers, one of a light Red Colour with a white face with each Ear Cropt. the Othe a Black White faced Heifer Cropt in the left ear, and half Crop on the right ear : and by virtue of a Warrant from Joseph Appleton Esqr; one of his Majesty's Justices for sd County, the same are this day apprized by Deacon Jonathan Kimball, and Edward Waldron in Manner following (viz) the Red one at four Dollars, and the black one at three Dollars, Wenham Septem 2^{d} 1768 the above is truly recorded attst

Edwd Waldron T. C Isaac Giddings

May :1: 1745 At a meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham m^{r} Jonathan Porter appeared and toak an oath to be a feild Driver of bunckus me^{a}dow for ye year Ensuing by me or before David Batcheller Town Clerk

Essex ss: Wenham June ye 8th 1769

Whereas Application has been made to us the Subscribers Surveyors of Fences in Wenham in sd County by John Killam, of sd Wenham, that Richard Dodge of sd Wenham, is owner of a Certain Tract, or piece of Land Situate in sd Wenham adjoining to him the sd John, and that he the sd John, never had any division of Fence with him the sd Richard; nor could obtain any, tho' he has divers Times Notified and requested him the sd Richard, to divide Fence with him yet he the sd Richard, neglects & refuseth to divide sd Fence with the sd John. Wherefore at y^{ee} request of the sd John, we have this day Met, and Made a Division of Fence between the sd John & Richard, in the following manner (viz) begining at James Dodge's Corner, Adjoining to the land

sd John Killum lately Sold to sd Richard, and Runing Southeasterly four rods between sd Killum's land, and the land of the sd Richard, Aforementioned and turning easterly Twenty Seven rods, & a Quarter, to a Post Standing in the Meadow Near to the upland, which, thirty one rods & a quarter, we Assign and Set to him the sd Richard Dodge as his Part of Fence to Make and Maintain, between himself, and the sd John Killam . And from the sd Post one rod & a Quarter on the same Course to an elbow, and then Runing about Northeast, between sd Premises about Twenty six Poles to a Stump in the Wall upon Ipswich line which sd last Twenty seven rods & a Quarter we Adjudge to be equal to the aforesd thirty one rods & a Quarter, set to the sd Richard, and Accordinly Set the last sd Twenty Seven Poles and a Quarter to the sd John Killam, as his Part of Fence and sd Premises to Make and Maintain between himself and the sd Richard — And in Confirmation hereof we hereunto Set our hands the day abovesd.

Benj[a] Dodge } Surveyors of
Thomas Kimball } Fences for
Josiah Herrick Ju[r] } Wenham

The above is
A True Copy of y[e] original
to me deliverd
Attest Edward Waldron Town Clerk —

The Bounds Between Wenham and Beverly perambulated, in the year 1745 The Bounds from the White oak in Lef[tt] Nat[l] Raiments paster in burch plain So Called and thence to a White oak Stump.By alfords Hill with Stons about it — and thence to apple tree on the Cuntrey Road. — and to a popoller Tree in Woodberys pointe — and thence to a apple tree in and Near Dodges Wall and thence Stake & Stons About it Near Larcoms Corner — and thence to to a a Stake and Stons att Longham Meadow — and thence to a Stake and heap of Stons Easter side of Rackcoan marsh and thence to A White oak Marked W and B: and thence turning to a White oak on Gravely Ridge, with Ston about it — and thence to a

White oak at Presons Corner. So Called — and thence to a Pine : tree marked W and B. — in Cap^{tt} Woodberys Corner by us.

John Rea
John Herrick
Joshua Herrick
John Thorndeck jur
} for Beverly

Thos Tarbox
Samuel Gott
Jonathan Porter
Edmond Kimball
} for Wenham

The above perambulation is Entered as Delivered to me to Enter . Atteste David Batcheller Town Clerk —

We the Subscribers A Pointed By the Select-men of Manchester & Wenham — To Preambulate on the Line and Renew the Bounds Between said Towns have accordingly. Meet to gether this.Twenty-ninth Day of april in the year one Thousand Seven hundred and fortey five — and Renewed the Southerly Corner Bounds . Being a Small White pine : marked with W & M. and from Thence northerly Preambulating on the Line to. Doges Stump in Ipswich Line Being ye norther Bounds. Between sd Towns — viz — — Manchester & Wenham as witness our hands.the Day and year above said. — — —

Rice Knowlton
Benjamin Edwards
Richard Dodge.
} for Wenham

Richard Coye
John Lee
Jonathan Herrick
} for Manchester

the above Preambulation is Entered as Delivered to me to Enter. Atteste David Batcheller Town Clerk —

May: 15 1745: A Town Meeting Lawfully Assembled to Chuse a Representative.to Represente our Town at a Grate and General Court or Assembly appointed to Be Convened held and Keept for his Majestyes Service at the Court house — in Boston upon Wednesday the Twenty-ninth Day of May 1745. — — —

also Sum other Town busness.to wit Swine going at Large — — —

Mr Jonathan Porter. is Chosen Representative by a grate maigority of Votes. m^r Jonathan Kimball Chosen moderator for the Remaining buisness of the a bov said town meeting — — —

Voted that Swine shall goo at Large this present year being yoked & Ringed in ye noas as the Law hath Directed ——

September 10: 1745. A Town meeting of ye freeholders and other inhabitants of Wenham being Lawfully Assembled To Rais money to Pay the Towns Debts and Ingagements — and to see what the Town will give m^r Warren this presente year more than his Stated Sallery.— Cap^tt Samuel Kimball Chosen Moderator for the Busness of the Present meeting —

Voted to give the Reverend m^r Warren : 70^£ old tenor this present year more than his Stated Sallery —

Voted to Raise for Defraing ye Towns Debts : 340^£ old tenor this year in the hole. as by warrent Derected.

Wenham November : ye 8 : 1745 — —

We the Subscribers being a Committee appointed by the Selectmen of Ipswich and Wenham to Preambulate the Line between said Towns have meet on the above said Day and Renewed the Bounds by marking trees and Laying Stones in The Following manner: viz: begining at a white oak stump by the Grate Swamp so Called and from thence Renewed the the Bound after the former manner to Manchester Line

As Witness our hands

Stephen Patch
Timothy Patch } of Wenham
Jon^a Kimball ju^r

John Whipple } of
John Patch } Ipswigh

The above is truly Entered as given me to Enter. Atteste David Batcheller Town Clerk

At a meeting of the Selectmen Desember. 2. 1745 then the Selectmen Compleated a bargain with mr^s Marey Cue to keep Aron Jones a full year: the time began the 27 Day of April 1745 Sd Cue is to find sd Jones his bord in sickness & helth During sd term and mend his apparil the tearm: & to have for her Service four pounds five

Shilings : it is to be under stood if sd Jones should be sick within said term the Town ingage to pay the Extrodenary charges of Doctors & nusses in case he should be sick

her
Mary M Cue
mark

David Batcheller
Jonathan Kimball
Benjamin Edwards
John Gott
Josiah Herrick .

December 2 1745 : then mr^{s} Mary Cue Received one pound fiveten Shilings in part for her keeping Aron Jones and at the end of her year in full by an order from the Selectmen —

At a meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham Decem^{r} 2 1745: Then agreed with m^{r} John Hart of Ipswich to keep school in our Town to Teach and Instruct our Children & youth to Read wright and Syfer as the Law Directeth four months. by the weack in ye several parts of the Town as the Selectmen shall Direct & to give the sd hart Thirty three pounds six Shillings & Eight pence for his service old Tener always provided ye sd Harte Continue in Sober Conversation —

David Batcheller
Jonathan Kimbell
Benjamin Edwards
John Gott
Josiah herrick

Selectmen of Wenham

The above is a true Copy Attest

David Batcheller Town Clerk

Att a Meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham february the : 17th. 1745/6 Then agreed with John Jones that he should Live in the hous that his father aron Jones Lived in before he flung him selfe on the Town for maintance: a full year : for a Sum here after named : he is to Enter in to sd hous the first Day of March : 1745/6 and to Depart out of said hous the first Day of march wich will be in the year 1746/7: and to pay to the Selectmen then Being : the Sum of fifteen Shillings : Lawfull money : by ye first Day of march that will be in the year of our Lord anno Dom: 1746/7.

March. 4 1745/6 A General Town Meeting of the free-

holders and other Inhabitance in wenham qualified By Law to Vote in in the Choice of Town officers and other Bisness as by warrant The Choice as followeth: En^{s} Samuel Gott is Chosen Modrator for the Busnes of ye prs^{ent} meeting

Cap^{tt} Jonathan Kimbel : John Gott : Richard Dodge : James Kimbel and David Batcheller are Chosen Select-men for the year Ensewing — —

David Batcheller Chosen Town Clerk for the year Encewing and Sworn — — —

En^{s} Samuel Gott Chosen Town Treasurer for the year Encewing and Sworn.

Ebenezer Batcheller, Chosen Constable for the Weste part of our Town and Sworn. Samuel Porter jur Chosen Constable for the East part of our Town and Sworn. Note that the Constables and the other officers here Beloo named : ware chosen By a handy Voats having had a Vote of the Town in sd meeting for it. wich is usuly practissed in our Town. Josiah Herrick : Samuel Batcheller and Bartholomew Dodge.chosen tythingmen and Sworn.

Zaccheas Gouldsmith.Ebenezer Waldron and Abraham Kimbell are Chosen — Each of them in the Respective parts of our Town whare they Belong : Survayors of high ways and Sworn —

Joseph Hagget Jacob Dodge & Samuel Tarbox Each are Chosen fencevewers & Sworn. Josiah Fairfeld and Nathaniel Bragg are Each Chosen feaildDrivers and Sworn.

David Batcheller is Chosen Sealer of waits and measurs and Sworn — —

Jonathan.Kimball ju^{r} Chosen Sealer of Leather and Sworn — — —

Benjamin Fairfeild & Richard Gouldsmith are Chosen hogrefs.& only sd Gouldsmith is sworn as yet All the abov Vots & oaths a bove named : ware purformed one ye Day of the above Dated meeting.

Att a meeting of ye Select-men of Wenham. March: ye 10th: 1745/6: Then agreed with Thomas — Senter, to be Town Saxston & to Due for our Town all the Busnes that Belongeth to sd post.for the year Encewing.the

Town is to give him for his Service one pound two Shillings and six pence — and to have the Priviledg to Dige graves for the Town as accation may Be — with this Restriction : that he Demands no more of such as have occation to use him — 2^s –6^d for such as are a bove twelve years of age and one Shilling & Sixpence for Such as are under Twelve year of age.

At a Meeting of the Select-men of the Town of Wenham Then a greed with Samuel Tarbox Son to be our Town — Pound Keeper for the year Encewing — — and to have only the Law full fees — for his Service — —

April 21 1746 At a meeting of the Selectmen then Deacon Kimball John Gott Richard Dodge James Kimbel & David Batcheller Each Toak ye assessors oath.

April 21: 1746. At a meeting of the of the Selectmen — then they aproved of and approbated — — Mr^s Elizabeth Kimbell to keep School in our Town to Teach children and Youth to Read Shee Having Behaved in Sober Conversation — —

Att a meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham May 5 1746 — then agreed with Mr^s Mary Cue To Keep Aaron Jones a full year Begining at the 5 Day of May : 1746 to the — 5 Day of May wich will be in the year 1747, and to find sd Jones Sutable meat Drink washing Lodging sd term. and mend his appariel as aceation may be.— and to Keep sd Jones in Sickness & helth During sd term. and have the Towns boad Caled Aron boad — & Return the Boad to the Town at ye years End. in Case said Jones. Should be Sick in sd term the Town is to pay the Extroderny charges of Doctors and nursing — and ye a bove said Mary Cue is to have of the Town for her service five pounds — By order of the Selectmen — David Batcheller Town Clerk.

Mary
her m mark
Cue

November ye 29:1746 the mr^s Mary Cue Received a order to our Treasurer for 2£ – 10^s – 0^d
May: 14: 1746 A Town Meeting Lawfully assembled to Chuse a Representive to Represent our Town at A Grate and genrael Co^u^rt or Assembly appointed to Be convened hold and keept for his Majestyes Service at the Court hous in Boston upon Wednesday the twentieth Eighth Day of May 1746: — and other Town Busness as By warrant.
Mr Jonathan Po^r^ter Chosen Representive to Represent our Town this present year m^r Nathanel Brown Chosen Moderator for the Remaining Buisness of ye above sd. meeting But sd Brown would not Excepte : the Town proceded & made Choice of Cap^tt^ Jonathan Kimball to be Moderator is sd Browns Rome to finish the work of ye sd town meeting The Town proceded and Chose a Committee to vew our meeting house to see what was proper to do to it.
Voted that the folowing persons named Should Be the proposed Committee — — —
Lef^tt^ William Dodge : Nathaniel : fairfeld : Samuel Porter : Lef^tt^ benjamin herrick : Josiah herrick : m^r^ John Gott : Phinas Dodge Benjamin Edwards Josiah White : 9 in all : as ye Town voted to chuse :
Voted the Swine should go at Large being well yocked & Ringed in the nose : this year —

June: 30 1746 A town meeting to Receive the Report of a Committee chosen to vew our meeting house to see what is proper to be Dun to sd house — wich Report was to Repair it a Littell for the present. Deacon Jonathan Kimbell chosen modarator for the bus^s^inees of the above sd meeting —
Voted to Receive the Committee Report —
Voted that the Selectmen should Repair the meeting house according to the above said Report a Litell for the present.
At a meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham July the 7th 1746.
Thhen agreed with m^r^ Samuel Goodridg to keep a school

in our Town — — Four months nexte Comming from this Date. to Larne our Children and youth To Read and Wright as the Law Directs — and to have Reasnable Sattisfaction for his Service of our Town for the same —

Samuel Goodridge

David Batcheller
Jonathan Kimbell
John Gott
Richard Dodge
} Select men of Wenham

The above and foregoing is a true Copy — Atteste David Batcheller Town Clerk

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Septem^{ber} 5 : 1746 A Town meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants. of Wenham. Lawfully assembled to Rais Money — for to pay our Town Debtes & Ingagements and to see what the Town will give the Reverand. m^{r} John Warren. This present year more then his stated Sallery : as By warrant Cap^{tt} Thos Tarbox Chosen Modrator for ye Buisness of the present Town meeting —— Then the meeting was adurned by ye modratour to the 12 day of this Instant September & then to meet at four of the Clock af^{ter}noon for the above menchoned Buisness — — and then Meet. — the Votes as folooth —

Voted to give m^{r} Warren this present year more than his stated Sallery — 100 pounds old Tenor : for his Surport

Voted to Rais this present year in the hole — 340$^{£}$ Pounds for the Defraing of our Town Debts and Ingagements —

Att a Meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham November 17th : 1746. then agreed with m^{r} Samuel Goodridg to keep a sChool in our Town to Teach our Children and youth to Read and wright & Syfer as the Law Directeth the hd Goodridg is to begin to keep school the 24 Day of this Instant november and to Continue to keep school tell the 18 Day of April nexte Ensewing at such parts of the Town as the Selectmen shall approve of. and to have for his Service forty shillings per mounth During

sd termn all ways provided that the sd Goodridg Continueth in Sobear Conversation —

	David Batcheller	
Samuel Goodridge	Jonathan Kimball	Selectmen
	John Gott	of
	James Kimball	Wenham

Att a Meeting of the Select men of Wenham — March the 9 Day 1746/7 then Cap Thomas Tarbox and John Kimball Cap John Dodge En^{s} Samuel Gott and Benjamin Edwards — — Each being present Did toak the assessers oath for the busness of our Town for the year Encewing — —

Received of ye Selectmen of Wenham this: 26th Day of february : 1746:/7 Seven Pounds and Teen Shillings in full of the sum ordered By the ginrall Court — for Patrick Burn on account of his Receiving a wound in the wars att Louisbourge I Say Receved by me —

Wittnessed Sam^{ll} Gott
David Dodge

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Patrick + Burn
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The a bove is a True Copy of a Receipt from patrick Burn : attest David Batcheller Town Clerk —

March: ye 3 1746/7 A Genrael Town Meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants in Wenham — Qualified by Law to Vote in the choice of Town officers as by warrant

The Vote as followeth — m^{r} John Kimball is Chosen Moderator En^{s} Samuel Gott John Kimball. Cap^{tt} Thomas Tarbox Benjamin Edwards . & Cap^{tt} John Dodge are Chosen Selectmen for the year Encewing. David Batcheller Chosen Town Clerke and Sworne ye same Day —

Cap^{tt} Jonathan Kimball Chosen Town Treasurer and sworn ye same Day —

Voted to chue the Town Treasurer & the Remaining officers by handy vots as usuall in our Town.
John Killum Chosen Constable for the East or neck part of our Town & sworn Samuel Tarbox ju^{r} Chosen Constable for the weste parte of our Town and sworn — Josiah White & Josiah Fairfeld Each are Chosen Thythingmen. & sd white sworn ye same Day Caleb Coye for ye east Richard Kimball for the midle part : and James Kimball for the west part of our Town Each are Chosen Survayors of high Ways in our Town and Each are Sworne Excepte Caleb Coy : on the the Day of there being chosen — — —
Ebenezer Waldron En^{s} Benjamin Kimball and Jacob Fiske Each are chosen fence vewers and Each are Sworn the same Day they ware chosen — — —
David Batcheller Chosen Sealer of waits and mesurers & sworn — — —
Jonathan Kimball ju^{r} is Chosen Sealer of Leather & sworn — — —
John Moulton Churchill knowlton and Elijah Fairfield are Chosen hogreafs and are Sworne the same Day they ware put in office —
Zaccheus Gouldsmith and James Freind are Chosen feaild Drivers — — and are Sworn the same Day of the above Dated Town Meeting — — —

Att a Meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham March: 9: 1746/7 Caleb Coy and — — Josiah Fairfeald Each of them appered and ware Both Sworn to there Several offices as above Recorded — —
Att a Meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham : March the : 9 : Day : 1746/7. Then agreed with Samuel Tarbox to be our Town Saxston to Due all the — Buisness for our Town that belongeth to sd post: and the Town is to give him for his Service : one pound two Shillings & six pence : and he is to have the privelidg to Dige graves for our Town the year Encewing as accation may be : always provided he Dont Demand above Two Shillings and Six pence for all above Twelve years of age : and

but one shilling & six pence for all under Twelve years of age — — —

At a Meeting of the Select-men of Wenham March y^{e}: 9: Day 1746/7: then agreed with Samuel Tarbox to beow Town pound keeper for the year Encewing he is to have Lawfoull fees for his service — — —

March: 16th: 1746: at a Meeting of the Select men : then agreed with John Jones that he Shall Live in the Towns hous tell the first Day of nexte March Comming the aboved sd Jons is to inprove the accre of Land Belonging to sd hous and he agreeth to pay to the Town for Rent one pound: & to Depart out of sd house the first Day of March nexte March wich will be in the year 1747. sd Jons agred to Leave the hous & fence in as good Repair as it is at present.

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May : 15 1747: A Town Meeting Lawfully assembled to Chuse a Representive to to Represent our Town att a Grate and Genrael Court or Assembly appointed to Be Convened held and and kept for his Majesties service. at the Court hous in Boston upon Wednesday the Twentieth Seventh Day of May Corant — and other Busnes as By warrant — The Town Being mett. proceded to vote five or six times But no: ma^{n}ware Leaguely Chosen : then the Selectmen Adjourned the Town meeting from the 15 Day of May to Wednesday the Twentieth Day of this Instant may: and then mett. on sd adjornment. m^{r} Jonathan Porter Choson Representative to Represent our Town at the genraeil Court the Incewing year : m^{r} John Kimbell Chosen moderator for the Remaining Buisness of the present meeting. Voted y^{t} the Swine shall goo at Large this. year: well yoaked and Ringed.

Voted that the bead & beading that Aaron Jones used which Belonged to the Town is given to his Son John Jones — and the apparrel ye above sd Jones Lefte — The Town voted that the Selectmen should Destribut

them a mong the pore in our Town as they see fitt
May: 20: 1747: Mr Jonathan Portor made offer of the money to the Town which he Received of the Province for his service as he Represented our Town at the grate and genraiol Court at Boston in the year : 1745. which money — it Being 21^f–16^s–0 he Delivered to m^r Samuel Gott one of the Selectmen (the Town Treasurer being absent at that time.) for the use of the Town to be disposed of by the major part of sd Town as they see meet. Sum time after sd portor had delivered the above sd money he replied to the Town he had ben as good as his promas to the Town : yett sd portor said that he had made a hard Bargain for him selfe . sd . if the Town see fitt they might Present him again with sum part of it as a present
But the moderator Replied that it was not mentioned in the warrent . & not proper to act on it at that time

So the mater was suspended tell ye next Town meeting–

A Town Meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of our Town. Lawfully assembled To Raise money for the Defraing our Town Debts and Ingagments also see to whare the Town will build a new meeting Hous or Repaire the old meeting hous: and to see what the Town will give m^r warren our minestor this present year more then his Stated Sallery — — as by Warrant — Deacon Jonathan Kimball Chosen Moderator for the busness of the present meeting . Voted to Chuse: 7: men for a Committee to have a Conferance with m^r warren Concerning the fall of money Relating to his Sallery . which Committee are to make Report to the Town on said adjurnment of this present Town meeting . the persons committee Chosen by the vots of ye Town for the above sd service Committee are as foloweth. Capt Thomas Tarbox Capt John Dodge John Kimball Benjamin Edwards Edmond Kimball Josiah White & Ebenezer warren — then the moderator by the Consent of the Town adjurned the Town meeting from the 10th of this Instant September: to ye 17 of the same month and then to mett at: 2. of the Clock afternoon for to finish the busness of sd meeting
Sep: 17: 1747. and then Mett — the Vots as foloth —

Voted to add to m^r John Warrens Sallery this present: Year. 170^£: pounds old tenor. voted to Raise 400^£ pounds. old tenor to Defray our Town Debts & ingagments this present year. — — —
Wen^m Voted to Build a Meeting Hous for Divine Worshep.—

Novem^r 5th 1747 A Town Meeting of ye freeholders and other Inhabitants of our Town Lawfully Assembled. To Chuse a Committee to manage the before preposed affair of building a meeting hous Having there instructtions from the Town. & to proceed so long in sd affair as the Town Shall see meet: also for the Town to Detarmon the bigness of sd hous and whare to seet sd hous. The Votes as followeth
m^r John Gott moderator Chosen Voted to proseed in there choice of a Committee by handy vots —
Voted to have nine men in sd Committee — whos names are as foloweth — —
Mr John Gott: Lef William Dodge but sd Dodge Refused to serve John Kimball. Benjamin Edwards. Josiah Herrick. Ebenezer Waldron. Nathaniel Bragg. Edmond Kimball & Caleb Coys Each being Chosen by Town Votes.
The Town Voted to Build sd hous: 55 foot in Long & 42 foot in breadth & 24 foot Studd. & gave the Committee Instsructions to be lucking abt for Timber & to make report to ye Town ye nexte meeting. Also ye Town Voted to Seat sd meeting hous whare the old meeting hous now Standeth — — —

Novem^ber 27 1747 At a Town meeting lawfully assembled to procead if the Town see good in the petickelors in the warrant here Exprest. — Namely: to Receive the Report of the Towns Committee Chosen to manage the affairs of building sd meeting hous — also to see whare the Town would build the nexte Summer — also to see what Instructions the Town would give the Committee to procead in building sd hous. — & what money the Town would raise in order for building sd hous. — & to see whather ye Town would bye bords Clabord & Shingels

with the Towns money that is in m^{r} Samuel Gotts hands — as by warrant — —
The Town proceded & Chose m^{r} John Gott for a modrator of the above Dated meeting. and Receved the Report of the Towns Committee — which is as foloweth — that they had been Lucking about & see a prospect of giting the frame in our Town or near our Town — but as for the petickelers above named ware Tried for: by votes but there wors not any Vote for aney of the petickeller on the affarmitive. — —
Janua^{r}ry: 13: 1747 A Town Meeting: of the Freeholdrs and other Inhabitants of our Town Lawfully Assembled to prceed in the affair of building a meeting hous..
the Town when assembled are to pars such Vots as they shall think proper. at sd Town Meeting to build sd hous as by warrant the vote as foloweth. m^{r} John Kimball chosend Mod^{e}rator. sum said the warrant not proper to proceed in said buisness of sd warrant — but the Town there upon Voted that the warrant was proper to proceed & acte on — Voted that the Town will pr^{o}ceed in building said hous as sone as they can Convenantly prepare for it. this present year if it may Be with Convenancey — Voted to Raise £250 pounds of the last Emition to wards the Defraying the charges of building: sd hous to buye meterals for the same to pay one halfe in March nexte & ye other part in May folowing —
Voted that the Towns Committee first chosen to manage the affaire of building said meeting hous: should Continue in sd buisness: Exceping that one of them which Refused Lef^{tt} William Dodge by name: the Town Voted that his Son Richard Dodge should sarve a Committee man in his Rome — for ye buisness afore sd. Voted to that the Committee should Studd & planck sd hous as they should thinke beste for the benefits of our Town — Voted that the Towns Committee proceed in giting timber for building sd hous as sone as may bee — & al other nesseary metearals that they Shall Think nedfoull for building said hous — —

May: 16 1748. A Town meeting Lawfully assembled to

Chuse a Representive to Represent our Town at a Grate and Generael Court or assembly appointed to be Convened Held keept for his Majesties Service at the Court hous in Boston upon Wednesday ye Twenty first may Corant — & to Receive the Report of the meeting hous Committee. that the Town may know what preparation they are in to proseed in building a meeting hous — also to see whare the Town will Vote to take Down the old meeting hous in order to Erect and Seat up a nue hous. also to give the meeting hous Committee such inStructions to proceed in bulding the proposed meeting hous as ye Town thinketh proper. & for the Town to pars such votes as they shall Think proper towards building sd meeting hous: sum other Buisness as by Warrant. after Several Vots had Ben tryed to geet a Representive but non was Chosen ye meeting was adurned to Wednesday next at 8 of ye Clock after m^r^ John Kimball who wors Chosen Modratoar for the Town buisness that time who had Caled for Dives Votes — which are as foloth — Voted to take Down the old meeting Hous. on Wednesdy ye 18 of this Instant May: in order to frame & seat up the nue hous as sone as Convenantly they can in the same place — voted to make the nue hous but 52 foot Long & but 40: foot wide — Voted to Leve the over Site of Tacking Down the old meeting hous to the meeting hous Committee — Voted y^t^ the meeting hous Committee should tack Care that the meeting hous be framed & that they tack Care that Stones are gott for to Under pin sd hous and provid on ye Towns cost work man for the same as there may be accetion as sone as may be in order to Raise the same: vote if m^r^ Jonathan porter Should Draw all the money he put into m^r^ Sam^ll^ Gott hands for the Town: have given it back to him again.

Voted that Swine should go at Larg being yocked & ringed. according to Law

May 18 1748: ye Town meeting is adurned from 8 Clock in the morning to 6 six a clock after noon the same Day & then met: then the modrator A Jurned to Thursday ye 2 Day of June 1748 to two of the clock after noon in sd Day to met at ye school hous and then mett —

May: 16 1748 A Town meeting Lawfully Convened to chuse a Representive & other Town busness more Espechaly a bout Bulding a meeting houe: m^r John Kimball was Chosen modrator for said town meeting: having had several adjurments being mett on the second Day of June 1–1748
then ye Modrator adjurned said Town meeting to the ninth Day of June Corrant. but before the Town Meeting was adjurned ^to to the ^before menchened ninth Day of June 1748 the folowing votes pased on the affirmitive namly: Voted to chuse a Committee for to take care to provide the peticklors Here after named. and to bring them to the School hous at furdestt by the morning of the Raising Day for the Comfortable soport of such as Should Labour in Raising said meeting hous the men Chosen for a Committee for the above sd busness: are Lef William Dodge Deacon Jonathan Kimball m^r Jonathan Porter Each chosen by vots of ye Town wich Committee are to provide one ye Town Charge: six gallons of Rum & Eight pounds of Shugor — Tow Barrils of Sidor and two Barrels of Bear and one hundred waight of Bread and one hundred waight of Leags of pork: and forty pound of Chease to be taken care of by sd Committee on Raising Day in ye prudant^es way they can for the end afore said: which Drink and provision mentoned ordered to be provided: ware by town vote on ye above sd: 2 Day of June 1748: also m^r Jonathan porter was chosen by a Vote of ye Town on ye above sd 2 Day of June to tack care & provid Rops to Rige the Ginn on ye Raising Day — then as is above hinted the Town meeting was adurned By the modrator to ye 9 Day of June Corrant to meet at sd School hous. but sd meeting Dropt it being fast Day —

June: 13 1748 A Town Lawfully assembled and Convened to Chuse a Committee to A Juste the accounts with the meeting hous Committee — also to see what further Instructions the Town Will give the meeting hous Committee to wards — — finishing sd meeting hous:— and to Chuse sum meet persons to sell the Rigon prepared for

the Ginn.& the old stuf glase & the Remainder of ye Chipes — — —
Deacon Jonathan Kimball was Chosen Moderator for this meeting the Vots as folocth — Voted to Chuse a Committee to a Just the accounts with ye meeting hous. Committee.Voted to have three men in sd Committee — whos names are — viz — — m^r^ Jonathan porter En^s^ Samuel Gott and Benjamin fairfield — Each chosen by Town vots
for ye afore sd Buisness which men are also Impowered by a Town Vote to sell the Rigen prepared for the ginn & chips & blocks & old Stuf that is not needed for the new hous.Voted that m^r^ John Gott Richard Dodge & Nathaniel Bragg be a Committee to bord the meeting hous and Lay the Lower floor as sone as may be Calling in sutable helpe for the Same.as there may be occation —

June: 27 1748. A Town meeting Lawfully assembled and Convened to Chuse a Committee to proceed in the further finishing of the meeting hous who are to have their Instructions from the Town from time to time & to continue in the buisness so long as the Town Shall see good — and sum other Town buisness — as by warrant — — m^r^ Nathaniel Brown Chosen Modrator for the buisness of the present meeting ye vote a foloweth Voted to Chuse a Committee to Proceed in the finishing the meeting Hous. — Voted to have three men in sd Committee. — m^r^ John Gott Nathaniel Brag and En^s^ Samuel Gott Each ware chosen by Town Votes — but they all three Refused to sarve as Committee men at that time — then the Moderator adjrned the Town meeting from ye 27 Day of June to fryday next at 4 of the clock after Noon — it being ye furst Day of July 1748 and then nett.on adurnment on the first Day of July 1748. the Town proceeded as foloweth — Voted that m^r^ John Gott Caleb Coye & Josiah Herrick be a Committee to prosceed in finishing the meeting hous.as they have — or Shall here after have Instructions from the Town & to continue a Committee as Long as the Town shall see good: the Town having by a Vote given the a bove named Committee Instructions to

proceed: namly. to go on and Shingle the meeting hous: and Clabord it & gitt up the window frams and also to proceed in finishing the Steeple as Sone as may Be — Voted that the Doars of the meeting hous shall be in the plases that the Corpinders have Lefte a vaciency for them already as By a Town vote — —

August 29–1748. A Town meeting Lawfully assembled & Convened to Raise money to Defray the Town Debts & in gagments the Encewing year & to see what the Town will give m^r Warren more than his stated Sallery this present year & to see what the town will Doo further in finishing the Meeting Hous as by Warrant m^r John Gott Chosen modrator for the present meeting. the Vots as foloweth: Voted to lay the Seacond or Lower floor. & gal-

By ye finishing Committee

lery floors & make ∧ the Stayers that Lead up in to the galereys & seat up the pillers under the galerys & prepare and hag the meeting hous bell as soon as may be: Voted to give m^r John Warren more then his stated Sallory this presen year 220£ pounds old tenor. Voted to Raise 400£ pounds old tenor in al this present year to Defray ye Town Deabts & Ingagments — this peragraff shoald have ben ented first.

September: 22 1748 At a Town meeting Leagelly Conveaned to see how maney pews the Town will have on the Lower flower & State there haight from the flower & to put them to Sail in what manner the Town shall see Good — & to see whare the Town will Rais aney money at present by a Rate for the Defraing the chare of building the Meeting Hous at present & to see whare the Town will proceed to plaster the sd Hous this fall & to see what further Instructions the Town will give the finishing Committee to proseed this present meeting as By warrant — the Vots as foloweth — m^r Jonathan Porter. Chosen Moderator — Voted to Have: 24: Pews By the wall of the meeting hous on the Looer flower. voted to sell sd pews. by whome the Town Shall Impower to Sell them — and

to them that Should Be the Highest Bidder: also Voted that they Should Be Sould to non but Such as are free-holders in this Town of Wenham
Voted to Chuse three men for to Stated out sd pews & put them to Sail in manⁿor as is above Said
Voted that mr John Gott Cap John Dodge & Jonathan Porter Be a Committee to Seel the above proposed pews —
Voted to have the pews al of one height from & Distance from the meeting hous wall: wall pews then voted to adjorned the meeting to 3 Day october next Encewing to mett at 3 of ye clock: after noon it bing monday and then mett & adjurned ye Town meeting to halfe a nower after fouer of the clock ye Same Day afer noon & mett & sold ym
Voted to have a tear of pews with in the wall pews 12: of then. 6: in ye frunt & 3: on Each End of the Bodey of Seats. to Be a boute 5: foot in Debth: & to have an alley of 3 foot Between them & the wall pews: & to Be put to Sail in maner as ye former to ye highest Bidder -- & to Be Stated out & put to Sail By ye above sd gott Dodge & porter as by a Town Vote then the Town meeting was adurned from ye 3 Day of October to ye 16 Day of ye same month to meet at: 1: of the Clock after noon it Being tuesday & then mett on the above said adjurnment — —
here being not Rome for to Record the vots of the Town that ware voted on the above said audment I have Entered the remaining vots on folo– or page: 105
Att a Meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham June. the first Day: 1747.
then agreed With mr Samuel Goodridge to keep School in our Town five months — from the Date above nexte Comming. and the above sd goodridge: is to have Reasonable Satisfaction of our Town for Teaching our Children & youth. to Read and wright as By Law we are Directed.

Samuel Goodridge

Thos Tarbox
John Kimball
Samll Gott
Beniamin Edwards
John Dodge

} Selectmen of Wenham.

at a meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham november ye 23th: 1747.
then agreed with mr Samuel Goodridge to keep school in our Town five months beginning sd School the first Day of nexte Desember & to Continue sd School tell the Last Day of nexte Aprell Encewing the Date here of. sd School Marstr is to teach our Children and youth to Read wright and Syfer and to have teen pounds old tenor p.r month for his Service.

Samuel Goodridge

Thos. Tarbox
John Kimball
Beniamin Edwards
Samll Gott
} Selectmen of Wenham

Wenham. November ye 24: 1747. — To the Selectmen of the Town these are to give you: Notis that their is Two Stragling persons fallen in to my Hous on — — Saterday Night Last — Being the twenty first of this Instant thier names are — Elizzebeth and Nathan Rolings. Brought from Gloster by Nathaniell millit of that Town. Gentlemen — my Desias are that you Will Do with them forth with as the Law Derects in that Case — — — —

Nathaniell Faierfield —

the above is a true Copey—as it was given me to Enter —

Attest David Batcheller Town Clerk

March. 1day. 1747 At a Genrael Town meeting Leagley warned and Convend to Chus Town Officers for the year Encewing & sum other buisness as by warrant. ye vote as folloeth — —
Captt Jonathan Kimball Chosen Mode ratoar for the buisnes of the present meeting. mr Samuel Portor Dea Jonathan Kimball Leftt Benjamin Herrick David Batcheller and phenas Dodge are Chosen Select men for ye year Encewing & each have toak ye assers oath.
David Batcheller is Chosen Town Clerk and is sworn.
Ens Benjamin Kimball is Chosen Town Treasurer and Sworn — Samuel Rogers is Chosen Constable for the

Easterly side of ye Contrey Road in our Town.& hired in his Rom
Timothy patch Λ-ju^r^ Josiah Batcheller is Chosen Constable for the Westerly Side of ye contery road & sworn—
Survayors of high ways: James frind is chosen survayer for the west part of our Town & sworn —
Samuel Porter is chosen Survayor of the highways in the middell part of the Town & sworn
David Dodge is chosen Survayor of the Highways of the East part of our Town and sworn
Cap John Dodge is chosen surver of fences and Sworn
Timothy patch jur is chosen Survayor of fences and sworn
James Kimball is chosen Survayor of fences & sworn

En^s^ Benjmin Kimball and Richard Kimball Each are Chosen Tythingman and Sworn the same Day of Choice—
Josiah ober.Ebenezer Waldren & Ebenezer porter Each are Chosen hogreaf & sworn
Samuel Batcheler & John Moulton ju^r^ are chosen feild Drivers and Sworn.
Nathaniel Kimball and Josiah White are Chose to Execut the Law relating to the Killing of Does when forbiden by Law.& to prosicute the viloators there of.and each are Sworn
Whare as it was put in to the warrant of our anuel Town meeting to See what the Town would Due with the money that Topsfield Select men brought to our Selectmen it being a fine on them for there Dilinquen Schooling: the Town when asembled acceed to Consider of it next may Town meeting David Batcheller is chosen Sealer of waits & meachers & sworn
Jonathan Kimball ju^r^ is chosen Sealer of Leather & sworn.the officers a bove Chosen & Sworn: was March: 1: 1747. the Day of Choce
March: 11 1747 At a Town meeting Leagley warned and Convened to chuse a agant to prosecute the case Betwen Wenham & glostor conserning a Idiot boy Coled Nathan Rolings brought from Gloster to our Town un Legaly: also for the Town to considear of m^r^ Samuel Rogers his

Reques he being Chosen Constable on our annel Town meeting he Earnesly Desiors that the Town would Reconsider that Vote & make choice of sum other man — if not to Exept of sum meet parson whom he shall hier to serve constable in his Rome
the Vots as foloweth — Cap^{tt} Jonathan Kimball Chosen moderator for the present meeting.
no vote to chuse an agent but Voted to Leave the hole affair of prosecuting the Complaint against the Town of Gloshter Relating to an Idiot Boy — coled Nathan Rolens to the Selectmen of our Town to manage in the best way they can in proper prosses of Law — —
Whare as m^{r} Samuel Rogers was chosen a Constable march ye first Day: 1747. the Town Did not see good to Dismiss him from sd post no other way then for him to hi^{er} a man to serve Constable in his Rome — which he purformed — by hiering Timothy patch ju^{r} to serve as Constable in his stead — who was Exepted by a magior vote of the Electors at that time — it being march y^{r} 11th–1747– & said patch was sworn to the faithfull Discharge of sd post March ye 11th 1747 —

At a meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham march ye 11th Day ann Dom. 1747– then agreed with Samuel Tarbox Senr to sarve our Town in the post of a Saxton for the Encewing year — to Due al the proper buisnes for the Town belonging to sd post.
also for sd tarbox to have £1–15^{s}–0: for his service of the Town — also to have the privelidge to Dige graves for our Town provided: that he Dont Demand more then – two shillinge & six pence for al persons ab^{o}ve Twelve years of age Excepting sum Extradny times as it may Be & but one Shilling & six pence for all persons bured under Twelve year of age: & said Sam^{ll} Tarbox hath agreed to be our Town pound keeper for ye year Encewing having the lawfull fees for his service —
March: 11th: 1747

Att a meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham — March: y^{e}: 11th: 1747.

The Selectmen then Being: namely: Deacon Jonathan Kimball — — Samuel Porter Phinas Dodge Leftt Benjamin Herrick and David Batcheller Each toak the Assessors oath the Day above said.

Att a meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham April ye first Day — 1748 Then the Selectmen agreed that Patrick Burn should Live in the Towns hous it Being the hous that Aaron Jones formerly Lived in — a full year: beginning at the: 10th Day of April: 1748: & to Depart & leve sd house ye 10th of April wich will Be in the year: 1749 — & sd patrick Burn is to pay the Town for a year Rent for said hous & accor of Land which he is to Improve with sd Hous one pound: at ye sd years end. If he tack up with sd agreement — I the Subscriber take up with ye above mentioned a greement as witnesseth my hand.

patrick
his O mark
Burn

We the Subscribers Being Lawfully Authorized have this Day Mett and perambulated and Renewed the Bounds Between Salem and Wenham Begining att a white oak Stump with stones about it Standing about one Rod & half north Easterly from Theophilus fiske Barn and Near the North End of Wenham Causeway — from thence over said Causeway south easterly To a Sake and Stons – Standing on the westerly side of the South End of said Causway wich is the Divisonal Bounds Between Wenham and porters farm — Thence about S^west^ to a stake and Sones Standing near the head of Leaches meadow at the Easterly Eand of ye Divisional wall — Betwen porters and Andrews Land — from Thence South Easterly to a white oak tree standing in the wall Betwen Benj^a^ Herricks John Bakers heirs marked with S and W from thence South Easterly to an heap of Stons In Josiah herricks orchard about Seven feet Easterly from an apple tree marked S & W being the second tree in the Second Row now standing in old orchard nor west of ye Seacond

Southern wall from thence nor Easterly to a heap of Stons in benjmin herrick Land from Thence S Easterly to a heap of stones in or near James meachem medwo from thence S Westerly to a White oak tree marked S W B. and S Standing In Nathaniel Rayments Land wich is the Bounds tree Betwen Salem and Wenham and Beverly al wich Bounds we have Renued Salem May 3 1748.

Thos Tarbox, John Gott, Samuel Batcheler, James Kimball] Comitee for Wenham

C. Daniel Ives Junor, John proctor jr, Jona Little, John Andrew, Benj mia Prescott jur] Comitee for Salem

The above is a Compard Copey with the orignal Copy
Attest David Batcheller Town Clerk
Errors Excpted

We the Subscribers appointed By the Seleckmen of Manchester & Wenham to preambulat on the line & Renew Bounds Betwen said Towns have accordinly mett to gether on this fifte Day of Apriel 1748– & have Renued ye Sutherly corner Bounds Being a small white pine marked with: W. & M. & from thence notherly prembulating on ye Line to Doges Stump in Ipswich Line Being the northerly Bounds Between sd Towns of Manchester & Wenham as witness our hands the Day & year above said.

Phinas Dodge, Rice Knowlton, Ebenezer Waldren, Caleb Coye] Jonathan Herrick, William Badcok] for Manchester

The above Copy carfuly Examened and here Indosed Erows Exeted Attest David Batcheller Town Clerk

We The Subscribers Being appointed and Impoured By the Selectmen of Wenham & Topsfield to preambulate and Renew the Bounds Betwee our said Towns have on

this Day mett and Renewed the Bounds Between our sd Towns — as folooth — Beginning at a white oak stump wich was Salam Northerly Cornor bounds from thence about Twelve poles Easterly to a stake & heap of Stons By the high way Leading from Wenham Causway to bunkear Meadow — on the Weste Side of the said Way — from Thence to the plump of mapels so caled but now a stump and thence as the Brook Runeth to a Stake and heap of Stons at the going over the brook from Thence to ye South Easterly Corner of pigdon meadow (so caled) and so to the River — all Which al wich is according to the settlement in the year — 1740 — and in Confirmation of all above Ritten we have here unto seat to our hands.

April ye 18 Day anno Dom–1748. —

Richard Towns, Thomas Baker } Committee for Topsfield

David Batcheller, Samuel Batcheller, Samuel Tarbox } Committee for Wenham

the above Copy is truly Entered Eroros Exepted attest David Batcheller Town Clerk

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The Bounds Betwen Wenham and Beverly perambulated.

April ye 23 Day 1748

Begininng at the Bounds in Left^tt^ Natha^n^ Raimont paster in burch plain–so caled–and thence to a white oak stump by alfords hill with stons about it — and thence to an apple tree by the Cuntrey Road Standing in the edge of Cunants paster — and Thence to a poppler tree in Woodbery point — and Thence to an apple tree in and near Dodges wall — and thence to a stake and heap of Stons a bout it Near Larkoms Corner — and thence to a Stake and heap of Stons at Longham meadow — and Thence to a White oak tree marked W and B and thence Turning to a white oak tree on Gravely Ridge with Stons about it — and thence to a white oak tree at Presons Corner

so Caled and thence to a pine tree marked W & Be in Cap^{tt} Woodberys Corner. By VS. —

John Thorndick, Benj^{a}min Jones, Gorge Rayment
Jonathan Kimball, Abraham Kimball, Benjamin Edwards, John Freind — Committee for Wenham

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The above being a Copy examened and Indosed in the beste way I Can for Sum & Substance attest David Batcheler Town Clerk.

At a meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham:— May ye 23 Day 1748. —
then agreed with m^{r} Samuel Goodridge to keep sch^{o}ol in our Town six months from the Date above nexte Comming – to teach our Children and youth to Read & wright as by Law we are Derected and sd goodridge to have of our Town Reasonable Satisfaction for his Service.
Sam^{ll} Goodridge

Samuel portor, David Batcheller, Jonathan Kimball – Selectmen of Wenham

We the Subscribers Being appointed By the Town of Ipswich & Wenham to preambulate the Line Betwen the Said Towns have mett ye fiveteen Day of October in the year — 1748 — Began at the Maple Tree Near the Springs & So on to a white oak tree: from thence to a beach tree on foulers Island and to a Burch Tree on hemlock Island — from thence to a stump near Plesant pond and so on to a Walnut Tree — and to the Brier bush near the Cuntrey Road — so on Renewed the bounds to Doges Stump = the Selectmen of Ipswich — — the Selectmen of Wenham

John Whipple, Nathaniel Dane, John Whipple y^{e} 3
Samuel Porter, Thomas perkens, Ben^{a} Kimball

the above & forgoing Copy is a true Entery as it was Delivered me — attest David Batcheller Town Clerk.

At a meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham — ye 22 1748. then agreed with m^r Samuel Goodridge to keep school in our Town. Three months nexte Coming — to Teach our Children and youth to Read Right and Sifer — and said Goodridge is to have of the Town for his Service. three pounds pr month for keeping sd School & to Begin sd School the 26 Day of this Instant Desember.
Samuel Goodridge

David Batcheller, Samuel Porter, Jonathan Kimball } Selectmen of Wenham

October 11: 1748 A Town meeting Leagaly assembled on adjurment — voted that the finishing Committee — — Build: 14 seats on the Loer flower: 7 on the west side for men Seats &: 7: one the East side for woman seats — Each Buting on the grat South alley — voted that the finishing Committee Shall Lay the platform of Each range of pews — vote to have it Dun at the Town Cost: vote to have the platform of the wall pews: 15: Inches from the Lower flower to the uper side of ye pews flowers and the platform of the Iner Range of pews to be: Seven Inches from the Lower flower to the Uper Side of the pews flowers —
Voted that the finishing Committee p^roceed to Sealing The back Side of the wall pews as high as the botam of ye Window frams round the hous —
Voted that the Banisters of all the pews Shall be nine Inches Long & no longer. ye meeing is Dismissed

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Novem^br: 21 1748 A Town meeting Lawfully assembled. Cap^tt Jonathan Kimball chosen modarotor —
The Bisnes of this meeting is for the Town to consider & vote ther pleashuer what they will Due in Soplying the pulpet while m^r Warren Remains un^ca^pble to Carrey on the work of the minestrey among us. and also to see whare the Town will Chuse a Committee to a Just ye accounts with the finishing Committee the Vots as foloweth:
Voted to Chuse a Committee of three men to Suplye the Pulpit So long as the Town Shall see Good — the men

Chosen a Committee for that Service are Ebenezer Waldron: Josiah Fairfeld and En^{s} Benjamin Kimball Each Chosen by Town Vots — wich Committee are Directed by the Town to confer with m^{r} warren to see what he will Due to wards Sopling the pulpet & also what he will not Due for ye Service. wich Committee are to make Report to ye Town the next time ye Town is asembled: also Voted that Ens. Samuel Gott Jonathan porter & Benjamin Faierfeld be a Committee Impowed By the Town to Call the Late finishing Committee to an a Count & a Juste there accounts in Lik manner as they ware to a Just the accounts with the first Committee — then the Town Voted that the Town meeting should Be adjurned from the 21 Day of November 1748 to the fifth Day of December Nexte Encuing then to meet at one of the Clock after noon: it Being munday & then mett.

Desem^{r}: 9 1748 A Town Meeting Lawfully assambled and Convened to Chuse a Committee to treat with m^{r} Warren in order to make a final setelement with him for the Time past. also to here the account of a Committee Chosen to a Just accounts with Such as have found timber or Dun Labour for our meeting or aney meterals for the Same. and Same other Buisness as by Warrant: m^{r} Samuel Gott Chosen Moderator for this Town meeting the Vots as foloweth: voted to chuse three men to Treet with m^{r} Warren who are by name Dea Kimball Nathaniel Faierfeld & John Gott but sd Gott refused Lef William Dode was Chosen in his Rome for ye buisness afore sd: namely — to see if they Could a gree to make a finoll setelement with him for the Time past. and mack Report to the Town for Concurance. then ye Town asaid to proceed in the buisness of sd meeting: but sum objection was made that the warrant was not proper to proceed on: then the Town Voted by a grate magority that the warrant was good & proper to acte on: & then the Town proceeded: m^{r} Samuel Rogers had made a Small Baking to that End of his Platform that butted on the East Staiers. sd Rogers Desired that he might butt his pewe on the

platform that was now made having that addition next to the East Stairs: aledging that his pue spot was sumthing Straitendd & not Quite so large as was preposed but if the Town would grant him his Request he would be Satisfied with the measuer as it was Stated out to him wich was Readeley granted by a vote of ye Town Richard Kimball Desired the Same addition his pewe it Joyned to the west Stayers he likewise said y^t^ his pue spot was Straightened. the Town voted to give him Leave to mack an Equal addition to his platform y^t^ butted on ye Stairs. as Rogers had wich parsed by a Town vote provided that he would be for ever Satisfied with Equial Rome & meshuer as was granted to Sd Rogers before mentioned then the Town Receved the accounts of what was Due to a number of men for what they had Dun toward our meeting hous. also showed there minds By a vote that John Kimball & Richard Dodge had made two large a Demand on the Town the Comity to to act on it in thare account
Voted y^t^ ye Selectmen Should give a gineral order on the account that the a Justing Committee gave them to take to the Treasurer that ye Treasurer should pay or Discount ye same
Then the moderator adjurned the Town meeting from: 9: Day of Desember to the Twelfe Day of this Instant 1748. Desember. and then mett.
Desem 12 1748: The Report of the Committee Chosen to Confer with m^r^ warren about Seteling with him for the Time past: said they had ben with him but he at that time ^he^ was not able to Do any thing a bout it at that time. sd Committee ^is^ to Stand & proseed in the Buisnes to which they are Chosen if an oportunetey presents
At a Town meeting Lawfulley assembled on the 27 Day of January: 1748.
m^r^ John Kimball Chosen Moderator for the busness of ye meeting wich was to Receive the Report of the Towns Committee Chosen to make a final setelment with m^r^ Warren for the time past — also for the Town to Com in to aney proper meashuers as they Shall think proper when assembled: also to See what ye Town will Doo in

further preparing to finish ye meeting hous.as By warrant — Sum Vots accured as foloeth
Voted to Chuse three men to treet with m^r^ John Warren to See if he would Doo aney thing to wards soplying the pulpet: ye names of the persons chosen are Cap^tt^ Thos Tarbox m^r^ Jonathan Porter and m^r^ Richard Dodge Eatch chosen By Town Votes — —
a for^m^r Commtitee chosen to Treet with m^r^ John Warren to see if he would mak a final Setelment with the Town for the Time past — who sd he could Doo nothing about it at that Time: then the Town meeting was adurned from the 27 Day of Janeuary 1748 to ye 2 Day of febuary nexte Encuing to meet at two of the Clock after noon it being thusday — Then mett on said adjurnment — the Vots as foloweth: Voted that the Town will proseed in giting Stuff & meterers for finishing the meeting Hous. as Soon as they Conveantly Can or the Season of the year will a Lowe of.m^r^ Benjamin Edwards Chosen By a Vote of the Town to prepare gice & Larth for sd hous who was Chosen January 27th: 1748: this para graft Being Emited Before: the Committee Chosen to Soplye the pulpet have Instructions to Soplye the pulpet tell ye Last of march next Ensewing.
The Report of the Towns Committee is as foloweth.
Wee the Subscribers Being Chosen By the Town of Wenham Jan 27th: 1748 To Treat with the Revernd m^r^ John warren What he would Do to wards the Soplying ye Pulpet the answer was this that for the present he would fore goo the free Contribution wenham febuary 2: 1748.
ye a bove ^is a^ true Entery
Attest
David Batcheller Town Clerk

Thos Tarbox
Jon^a^ porter } Committee
Richard Dodge

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feb 13 1748 A Town meeting Lawfully assembled and Convened to Chus sum meet persons to Joyne with m^r^ Benjamin Edwards in preparing Stuff & meterals for the

further finishing our meeting hous. to have there Instructions from the Town as there may Be accation. and Sum other busness as by Warrant — — —
the Vots as followeth. Cap^{tt} Jonathan Kimball Chosen moderator for this meeting Voted that John Gott & Ebenezer Waldron Joyne & Be a Committee with Benjamin Edwards who was Chosen sum time Befor Each by Town Votes to prepare Stuff and meterals for finishing our meeting Hous. the Town gave them Instractions to provide jice & Larths and Scafiling in order for plastering sd hous and also prepare and Case the window frames — ther being a vote to chuse the above Committee. Voted that Zacheas Gouldsmith Jacob Dodge and Nathanel Kimball be a Committee to a Just accounts with such as provided provision on the meeting hous Raisind Day — and also to a Just accounts with Such as Sould the old glas & the rope prepared for the ginn and old Stripe & Chips: as by a vote of the Town then the moderator adjurned the Town meeting to ye 20 Day of this Instant feb: to meet at 2 of ye clock afternoon

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At a Legail Town meeting assembled on adurnment from the Thirten^{n}th of febuary: 1748 to the twentieth Day of ye feb^{r} the same month & then meet —
the Vots as foloweth — Voted the first or Grand Committee so caled Should Reckon & Seatle & ajust al accunts with Such as are a greeved who have not had ther Just Due Seat Down in the Ginrael order given in sum time a goo in to the Town Treasurer: also ye Town Voted that the grand Committee Should make Report to the Town of there Doings at our anuel Town meeting wich will be the first Tuesday of March 1748

March 7 1748 A Genrial Town meeting Lawfully assembled & conveaned to Chuse Town officers for the year Encewing and Sum other Busness as by Warrant the vote ats foloeth
Dea Jonathan Kimball Chosen moderator for the Busness of the present meeting. Josiah Herrick Benjamin

fairfeld Ebenezer Waldron Jonathan Kimball and Samuel Rogers are Chosen Selectmen for the year Encewing—
Jonathan Kimball ju^{r} is Chosen Town Clerk for ye Town of Wenham and sworn —
Benjamin Kimball Chosen Town Treasurer and sworn.
Bartholomew Dodge chosen Constable for the West End of the Town and sworn Daniel Gott Chosen Constable for the East End of the Town and sworn
Nathanael Fairfield Nathanael Kimball and Richard Dodge Surveyors of fences and sworn
Jacob Dodge Chosen Surveyor of high ways for the middle Part of the Town Josiah Ober for the West End and Josiah White for the East End to which offices they ware sworn.
Jonathan Kimball Sealer Leather of and sworn David Batcheller Sealer of weights and measurers and sworn Tvthing men Ebenezer Batcheller and Samuel Tarbox junr and sworn Caleb Coye Deer Reave and sworn Samuel Porter jun^{r} John Killam and Jeremiah Dodge Hogreaves Sworn Jonathan Porter overseer of the Poor.

March 13: 1748 At a meeting of the Select men of Wenham Then agreed with Sam^{ll} Tarbox to do the Service of a Saxton for the space of one year next Ensuing for which he is to Receive two Pounds ten Shillings Last Emission with the Privilage of Diging Graves Provided his Demands therefor be not unreasonable
March 27 1749 At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Wenham Regulary warned and Convened m^{r} Jon^{a} Porter Being Chosen moderator the Following votes were then Past
First that the Late Com^{tee} for Supplying the Pulpit be further Impowered to do it for two months next Ensuing Provided our Revd Pastor be not able to Perform his usual Labours among us
Secondly that the Towns acre of Land under the Improvment of Patrick Burn Ly as Common for the year currant
Thirdly Voted that all Town meetings for the future that are to be By Warrant from the Selectmen be warned by

notifications Put up by the Constables in the three following Places viz one at the house of m^r^ Sam^ll^ Gott another at the meeting house and the The other at the House of Lieut William Dodge Eight Days at Leaft Before such meeting with the Business Peculiar to the meeting Contained in them in manner as the Warrant Expresseth it and that to be sufficient warning During the Towns Pleasure

Fourthly Voted that the account Laid Before the Town bv the Grand Committee with the additions therein made to the agreived Persons be accepted

Fiftly Voted that The Finishing Com^tee^ be further Impowered to Purchase two Thousand of Boards towards finishing the meeting house —

Lastly Voted that mess^r^ Samuel Gott Benj^a^ Edwards and Benj^a^ Kimball be Impowered to Prevent all unreasonable Incrochments upon the High way in any Part of the Town

1749 March 27 At another town meeting Regularly warned and assembled to chuse assessors m^r^ Jon^a^ Porter being chosen moderator the Town made choice of Mess^r^ Eben^r^ Waldron Josiah Herrick Benj^a^ Fairfield Samuel Rogers and Jon^a^ Kimball jun^r^ to be assesors for the Ensuing year to which office they were sworn the Day above said

May 5 1749 Att a meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham Then agreed that Samuel Tarbox be the Keeper of the Pound for the year currant Provided his Demands Therefor be no more than the Law in that case allows.

May 17 1749 At a Town meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of Wenham Lawfully warned and Assembled in order to make Choice of a Person to Represent them in a Great and General Court to be Begun held and Kept for his Majestys Service at the Court house in Boston upon Wednesday the Thirty first Day of may courrant after several trials made for the Choice of a Person for said Service none could be obtained and therefore the Compassionate Regards of the Honble House of Representitives was Humbly Requested — — — — —

m^r^ Samuel Gott Being Chosen moderator for the other

Business of the above said meeting the Following votes were then Past — vis — — —
First that the finishing Com^{tee} be Impowered to Purchase What materials may be necessary to finish the meeting house Excepting the Pulpit.
Sec^{dly} Voted that the Said Com^{tee} be Impowered to finish our meeting house with all convenient speed agreeable to their Instructions Excepting the Pulpit as above -- —
Thirdly Voted that the Late com^{tee} for Supplying the Pulpit be further Impowered to do the same till the Last of July next Ensuing — — —
Four^{ly} Voted that the Com^{tee} chosen to make Sale of the Spots for Pews be obliged to make up with the town therefor by the Last of may Instant —
Fifthly Voted that the accounts Laid before the Town by the Com^{tee} Chosen to Provide for the Raising of the meeting house be accepted
Sixthly Voted to Leave it with the Selectmen to Receive what is Due to the town from Sundry Persons for old Stuf and other things and make what Discounts they think Reasonable
Lastly Voted that the Swine have Liberty to go at Large the present year being yoked and wringed according to Law — —
July 6 1749 At a Town meeting of the Inhabitants and freeholders of the Town of Wenham Lawfully warned and assembled m^{r} Samuel Gott Being Chosen moderator the following votes were then Past viz ——
first Voted that the finishing com^{tee} be Impowered to Build the Pulpit as they may be Instructed by the Town—
Sec^{dly} Voted that the finishing Com^{tee} have a Discretionary Power to Build said Pulpit in such a form and manner as may be most agreeable to the other Parts of the house
Lastly Voted that the Com^{tee} for Supllying the Pulpit still continue to Do it till they Receive further Instructions from the Town — — —
July 6 1749 At a meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham it was Then agreed that Benjamin Bragg Should be a School master in the Town to teach Children to Read

write and Cypher for the Space of three months from this Date for which Service he is to have out of the Town Treasury Reasonable Satisfaction according to his Trouble to which said Bragg Consented — — —

Sept 18 1749 At a town meeting of the Inhabitants of Wenham Regularly warned and convened m^r Samuel Gott was Chosen moderator then for Particular Reasons said meeting was adjourned to monday the second Day of October following at two aclock afternoon — — —

Octr 2 1749 Then Being met upon adjournment the following votes were then Past namely

1 that a Certain Sum of money out of the Publick Treasury be allowed in order to Defrey the Funeral Charges of our Late Pastor the Rev^d m^r John Warren Dec^d.

2 that the Selectmen be Impowered to adjust accompts with any of the Com^tees that have Been Imployed in our Publick affairs — — —

3 voted that the vacant Places in the Galleries of the meeting house be filled with seats the the hindmost of which to be finished with Banisters at the Discretion of the finishing Com^tee.

4 that Town meetings of the future be warned according to the former custom any vote or Practice to the Contrary notwithstanding. — —

and at a meeting of said inhabitants of Wenham on the Day abovementioned warned at Three of the Clock Dea Jon^a Kimball Being chosen moderator it was voted as follows

1 That m^r Samuel Turell be the minister of this Town in Concurance with the Churches Late Choice which vote was unanimous

2 Voted that m^r Samuel Gott m^r Caleb Coye and m^r Jon^a Porter be a Com^tee for the Town to Joyn with the Churches Com^tee in Confering with m^r Turell with Regard to his Settlement among us — —

3 Voted that the money Lately Contributed which is now in the hands of Deacon Fisk be Deposited in the Town Treasury — — —

October 16: 1749 At a Town meeting of the Freehold-

ers and other Inhabitants of the town of Wenham Regularly warned and convened Dea Jon^{a} Kimball Being Chosen moderator they then Proceeded to vote as follows namely — —

1 Voted that the Sum of one Hundred and twenty five Pounds in Bills of the Last Emission or in a medium Equivalent thereto be offered to m^{r} Samuel Turrell for a Stated Salary to be paid annually so Long as he shall continue to Discharge the office of a Gospel minister among this People — —

2 Voted that the Sum of Two Hundred and fifty Pounds in Bills of the Last Emission or Equivalent be offered to m^{r} Samuel Turell for a Settlement one half thereof to be Paid within twelve months after his ordination and the Remainder at or before the Expiration of two years there from — — —

3 Voted that the sum of two Hundred Pounds: Last Emission be Raised in order to Defray the necessary charges of the town — — —

4 Voted that m^{r} Jon^{a} Porter Capt Thos Tarbox and m^{r} Richard Dodge be a Com^{tee} to treat with mrs Elizabeth Warren administratrix to the Estate of her Late Husband the Rev^{d} m^{r} John Warren Dec^{d} in order to make an adjustment of all accounts that may be Between said Estate and the Town and to make Report at the next Town meeting.

Novr 7 1749 At a Town meeting Dea Kimball Being Chosen moderator the following vote was Past

Voted that there be a weekly free Contribution appropriated to the use of m^{r} Samuel Turell to Commence Immediately after his ordination — —

Decr 20 1749 At a Town meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the town of Wenham Regularly warned and Convened Dea Kimball being Chosen moderator the following votes were then Past viz — -- —

1 Voted that the Sum of twenty Pounds L. E. be ordered out of the Publick Treasury to Defray a Part of the funeral Charges of our Late Pastor the Rev^{d} m^{r} John Warren

2 Voted that mess^{r} Eben^{r} Waldron Sam^{ll} Rogers and

Edmund Kimball be a Com^{tee} to supply the Pulpit During the Towns Pleasure — — —
3 Voted that the finishing Com^{tee} take care to Prevent the water from coming upon the Plaistering and Timber of the meeting house with all Convenient Speed — — —
Feb^{r} 9 1749/50 Then agreed with m^{r} Nathanael Rogers of Boxford to Keep School in our Town two months in order to Teach Children and youth to Read write and Cypher
March 6 1749/50 At a General Town meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Wenham Regularly warned and Conveaned Dea Jonathan Kimball Being Chosen moderator the Persons hereafter named were Chosen for the Ensuing year to officiate in the offices hereafter mentioned —
Selectmen Nathanael Kimball Josiah White Timothy Patch Junr Sam^{ll} Tarbox Junr & Jon^{a} Kimball Junr Town Clerk Jonathan Kimball Junr and Benjamin Kimball Town Treasurer
Constables For the West End of the Town Daniel Porter and for the East End Benjamin Edwards Junr
Surveyors of Highways John Friend for the West End Zaccheus Goldsmith for the middle and Caleb Coye for the East End of the Town
fenceviewers Ebenezer Waldron Jonathan Porter and Isaac Dodge
Leather Sealer Jon^{a} Kimball Junr Sealer of Weights and measurers David Batcheller
Tythingmen John Rogers & Josiah Ober
Deer Reefs John Dodge and Daniel Gott
Hog Reeves Isaac Giddings Edward Waldron and Bartholomew Dodge who have been Sworn to their Respective offices
Over Seer of the Poor Jonathan Porter
March 6 1749/50 At said General Town meeting Dea Jon^{a} Kimball Capt Thos Tarbox & m^{r} Richard Dodge were Chosen a Com^{tee} to supply the Pulpit During the Towns Pleasure
March 12 1749/50 At a meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham they then agreed with Samuel Tarbox to Ring

the Bell and Perform the other Business of a Saxton for which Service the Ensuing year he is to have two Pounds five Shillings L: E and also to be Pound Keeper the Ensuing year Provided his Demands therefor be as the Law in that Case Provides

March 26 1750 At a meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham Nath Kimball Josiah White Timothy Patch Junr Samuel Tarbox Junr & Jon^{a} Kimball Junr took the oath of assessors for the year Ensuing

May 21 1750 At a meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the town of Wenham Regularly warn'd and assembled in order to Chuse a Representative and other Town Business and after Several Trials made to Elect a Person to Represent them in the General Court to be held in Boston the year currant no choice could be Leagally obtained the Town then Proceeded upon the other affairs Before them and after having made Choice of Dea Jon^{a} Kimball for moderator the following votes were then Past namely

1 Voted that m^{r} Joseph Swain be Invited to be the minister of this Town in concurance with the Churches Late choice

67$^{£}$pounds Salary first voted

2 Voted that the sum of Sixty Seven Pounds Lawfull money be offered to m^{r} Joseph Swain For a yearly Salery to be Paid annually or in a medium Equibalent thereto that Shall be currant at the time of Payment During his Continuance in the ministry among this People

3 Voted that the Sum of one Hundred and Thirty Three Pounds Six Shillings and Eight Pence Lawful money or in Specie Equivalent be offered to m^{r} Joseph Swain for a Settlement Provided he be Inclined to accept the Late Call of the Church and Town to be their minister the one half of which to be Paid within one year after his ordination and the other half within two years therefrom

4 Voted that Capt John Dodge m^{r} Samuel Gott and m^{r} John White be a Com^{tee} to Joyn with the Churches Com^{tee} to Treat with m^{r} Joseph Swain with Regard to his Settlement among us

5 Voted that Capt Thos Tarbox m^{r} Jonathan Porter m^{r} Richard Dodge m^{r} Benj^{a} Kimball and m^{r} Samuel Rogers be a com^{tee} to Settle all acco^{u}nts that may be Between the Town and mrs Elizabeth Warren as She is administratrix to the Estate of her Late Husband the Rev^{d} m^{r} John Warren Dec^{d} which Com^{tee} are to act with the following Restrictions viz to make good Said m^{r} Warrens Salery according as the Legislature have allowed the Depreciation thereof mrs Warren allowing the Supperadded Sums noted yearly by the Town to come into the account
6 Voted that the Sum of thirteen Shillings and four Pence Lawfull money be ordered out of the Town Treasury to Doc^{r} Benj^{a} Jones for the stones taken from his Land for the Towns use
Lastly Voted that the Swine go at Large being yoked and wringed according to Law
June 25 1750 At a Town meeting of the Inhabitants of Wenham Dea Jon^{a} Kimball being Chosen moderator the following votes were then Past viz
1 Voted that a free contribution be upheld by the town Every Sabbath for m^{r} Joseph Swains use which is to Commence Immediately after his ordination
2 Voted that the Town Treasr be Desired to bring a Process against the Pew Com^{tee} for the moneys that are yet Due to the Town for the Pews if they neglect or Refuse to Pay him when it is Demanded of them by him
3 Voted that m^{r} Joseph Swain have the Benefit of the Personage the year currant if he accepts of the Late Call of the Church and town to be their Pastor and if not the Selectmen to Improve it for the Towns use
June 25 1750 At a meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham they then agreed with Benj^{a} Bragg to Keep School in the Town for the space of three months from this Date to teach children to Read and write for which Service he is to have Reasonable Satisfaction from the Town
July 24 1750 At a Town meeting of the Inhabitants of Wenham Regularly Warnd & Convened Dea Jon^{a} Kimball being Chosen Moderator the following Vote was then Past namely
Voted that the Sum of three Pounds Lawfull money be

added to the yearly Salery that has of late been offered by the Town to m^{r} Joseph Swain Provided he be Inclined to accept of the Late call he has had to the work of the ministry in this Place — and Immediately Thereupon m^{r} Swain Publickly appeared & Read his answer to the beforementioned Call which was as follows viz

Wenham July ye 24th 1750

Whereas the Church in This Town of Wenham have Lately made a unanimous Choice of me to be their minister and the Town have also unanimously Concured therewith and Inasmuch as both Church and Town are now convened Together I Take this opportunity to give my answer — — —

I acknowledge with Thankfullness the unanimous Call you have given me to Settle with you in the work of the ministry and for what you have Done Respecting my Settlement and maintenance and I now Declare my Willingness to accept of your Call and being Sensible of my own Insufficiency and Depending upon Divine aid and assistance I Purpose so far as God shall enalle me to be faithfull in the weighty and Important Trust which shall be Committed to my Charge I ask your Prayers for me yea I Beseech you Brethren for the Lord Jesus Christs Sake & for the Love of the Spirit that you Strive together with me in your Prayers to God for me and I wish you all Peace and Prosperity and great success in attendance upon all Gospel ordinances and administrations for this Cause I Bow my Knees unto the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ that he would grant you according to the Riches of his Glory to be Strengthened with might by his Spirit in the Inner man that Christ may Dwell in your hearts by faith that ye being Rooted and Grounded in Love may be able to Comprehend with all Saints what is the Breadth & Length & Depth & height and to know the Love of Christ which Passeth Knowledge that ye may be filled with all the fullness of God now unto him that is able to do Exceeding aboundantly above all that we ask or think according to the Power that worketh in us unto him be Glory in the Church by Christ Jesus through all ages world without end — amen Joseph Swain

Sept 11 1750 At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Wenham Regularly warned and Convened Capt Thos Tarbox being Chosen moderator it was Voted as follows

1 That Wednesday the 24 Day of October next be the day for the ordination of m^{r} Joseph Swain

2 Voted that the Salary Lately voted for m^{r} Swain Begin on the first Day of July 1750 and the one half thereof to be Paid the first Day of January following and the other half at the Expiration of the year and so to Continue During his Continuance in the ministry among this People

3 Voted that m^{r} Sam^{ll} Gott m^{r} Josiah Herrick and m^{r} David Batcheller be a Com^{tee} to affix the Boundiarys of the Buring Place with the adjacent Proprietors and make Report at next meeting

4 Voted that m^{r} Benj^{a} Edwards Dea Eben^{r} Fisk & m^{r} John Kimball be a Com^{tee} to make Provision for the Entertainment of those gentlemen who may be Invited to assist at the ordination of m^{r} Joseph Swain

5 Voted the sum of Eighty five Pounds Lawfull money be Raised to Defray Town Charges the Ensuing year And at the abovesaid meeting the Com^{tee} Chosen to settle all accounts with mrs Eliz^{a} Warren as she was Administratrix to the Estate of her husband the Late Rev^{d} m^{r} John Warren Dec^{d} was Presented which is here Recorded as Followeth namely — The Report of the Com^{tee} that was Chosen to adjust all acc^{ts} with mrs Elizabeth Warren administratrix on the Estate of y Rev m^{r} John Warren Late of Wenham Deceased Report as followeth viz That they Cannot find by Strict Examination into the affair that there is one Penny Legaly Due from the Said Town of Wenham to the Said Estate aforesd But that the said Town hath Granted from time to time the Sum of Four Hundred & ninty five Pounds old Tenor more than the Depreciation according to Contract During the Rev^{d} m^{r} Warrens Continuance in the ministry with the said Town neither Doth sd adm^{trix} Demand one Farthing but further Saith She will give the Town a Discharge from said Estate Provided they will Defray the Remainder of the

Funeral Charges of their Late Pastor the Revd Mr Warren —
By order of the Com^{tee})
Dated Wenham Sep^{t} 11 1750 Thomas Tarbox) Chairman
Decr 17 1750 At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Wenham Legally warned and Convened Leiut Wm Dodge Being Chosen moderator The Com^{tee} that were Sometime Since Chosen to Settle and affix the Boundaries of the Buring Place with the adjacent Proprietors Reported as followeth viz
We whose names are underwritten Being a Com^{tee} to Settle the Boundaries of our Burying Place with the adjacent Proprietors and in order hereunto we applied our selves unto the Town Book for some Record or grant made unto the Town but we could find none at all therefor we being at a Loss how the Town Came by it Whereupon we applied ourselves unto Leiut Porter and others and by Inquiery we could not get any Intilageable account of the Boundaries and therefore were very much Dissatisfied and therefore upon the whole think it not Proper to Proceed in the affair at Pressent but to Lay the affair before the Town to act their Pleasure Thereupon) Sam^{ll} Gott
Dated att Wenham November } Josiah Herrick
the 19 1750) David Batcheller
and upon hearing the above Report the Town Proceeded to make Choice of m^{r} Jon^{a} Porter m^{r} Eben^{r} Waldron and m^{r} Sam^{ll} Gott for a Com^{tee} to affix and Settle the Boundaries of the Burying Place as above Likewise m^{r} Benj^{a} Edwards m^{r} Josiah Herrick and m^{r} Jon^{a} Porter were chosen a Com^{tee} to seat the meeting house
March 5 1750/1 At an annual meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Wenham Regularly warned & Convened Dea Jonathan Kimball Being Chosen moderator the Persons Hereafter named were Chosen to Serve in the offices Hereafter mentioned for the year Ensuing namely Timothy Patch Junr Samuel Tarbox Junr Edmond Kimball Jacob Dodge & Jon^{a} Kimball Junr Selectmen & assessors & Jon^{a} Kimball Junr Town Clerk Benjamin Kimball Town Treasr Jeremiah Dodge Con^{ble} for the west &

Edward Waldron Con^{ble} for the East End of the Town
Zaccheus Goldsmoth Isaac Dodge & Benjamin Edwards
Surveyors of Highways John White Sam^{ll} Tarbox Junr
& Richard Dodge fence Viewers
Jon^{a} Kimball Junr Sealer of Leather David Batcheller
Sealer of Weights and measures
Abraham Kimball & Daniel Porter Tything men
Capt Thos Tarbox & John Friend Deer Reefs
Benjamin ober Thomas Brown & Daniel Gott Hog Reaves
to which offices they have all Been Respective Sworn Excepting John White as fence viewer
and Likewise at the said General Town meeting it was voted as follows viz
1 that Benjamin Kimball be Defendant in the Towns Behalf against Capt John Dodges Process Brought against him as their former Treasr.
2 Voted that Benj^{a} Kimball should Sell the House in which andrew Senter Lately Dwellt and be accountable therefor to the Town — — —
At a meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham March 27 1751 Then agreed that Benj^{a} Bragg Should Keep School in those Parts of the Town that the Selectmen Shall appoint in order to teach Children to Read and write for which Service he is to have Reasonable Satisfaction from the Town April :1: 1751
The Selectmen of Wenham Rec'd from Nathanael & Samuel Poland of Ipswich the following Petition viz —
To the Selectmen of the Town of Wenham Gentlemen
Whereas your Pet^{rs} have Lands Lying in the Town of Wenham and have no way thereto without Tresspassing in Passing over other mens Lands for to Improve those Lands for which we Pay yearly Taxes to sd Wenham your Petitioners Pray therefore that you would at their own Cost & Charge Lay out them their Heirs and Assigns a way for to Pass and Repass at all times for the Improvment of their Lands as aforesd as in Duty Bound your Petitioners Ever Prays

Nathanael Poland
Samuel Poland

Dated Ipswich the 30th of March 1751

Upon the Prefering the above Petition the Selectmen Complyed with the Request of Said Nathanael & Sam[ll] Poland in manner Following viz — Wenham April 1st 1751 We the Subscribers the Selectmen of Wenham being met Together in order to Lay out a Private Way for Mess[rs] Nathanael & Samuel Poland of Ipswich and to their heirs and assigns to a Certain Piece of meddow of theirs in Said Wenham in answer to their Request as above Proceeded on the Day above sd to do it in the following Manner namely Begining at the SouthEastwardly Corner of James Dodges home Lott we Laid out a way one Pole wide against the wall that Stands between said James Dodges Land and John Killams the Length whereof is about twenty Poles for which way the sd Dodge Recd of the Said Polands full Satisfaction on the Day above said

Edmund Kimball
Jacob Dodge
Timothy Patch
Jon[a] Kimball Jun[r]
} Selectmen of Wenham

And Whereas the Said Polands were obliged to Pass over a Part of John Killams Land in order Improve their Said medow the agreement Betwixt them is Inserted as Follows — — —

Articles of Agreement made and Concluded upon this first Day of April 1751 By and Between John Killam of Wenham in the County of Essex in New England weaver on the one Part and Samuel Poland yeoman and Nathanael Poland yeoman Both of Ipswich in the County aforeSaid on the other Part are as follows namely Whereas the above named Samuel & Nathanael Poland are Possessed of a Certain Parcel or Tract of Medow Land Lying in Wenham aforesaid and have no convenient way thereto without Passing over a Part of the above Said Killams Land the said John Killam for himself his Heirs Executors Administrators and assigns Doth hereby Covenant Promise and Engage to and with the said Samuel and Nathanael Poland their Heirs and Assigns forever that they & either of them may from time to time and at all times forever Hereafter Quietly and Peacably

Pass and Repass with a Cart or Team over that Part of Said Killams Land that Lies Directly Between the South Eastermost Part of James Dodges home Lott and the above said medow (the Length whereof is by Estimation about Six Poles and the Bredth one Pole be it more or Less) So often as they Shall have ocassion either to bring the Produce of their Lands home or Convey Stuf to fence the same and the said Sam[ll] & Nath Poland for themselves their heirs Executors Administrators & assigns do covenant Promise and Engage to and with the Said John Killam that so Long as the said Killam shall allow the Liberty of Passing as above free from any Encumbrance we the said Sam[ll] and Nath Poland neither for our Selves our heirs or assigns nor any Person or Persons by from or under us Shall Ever hereafter Demand or Require any way to the said medow over any other Part of said Killams Land In Witness whereof we the Parties above named have hereunto Set our hands the Day of the Date above written

Signed in Presence of

Edmund Kimball — John Killam

Jacob Dodge — Samuel Poland

Nathaniel Poland

At a meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham May y[e] 2: 1751

Then agreed with m[r] Jonathan Porter to Perform the Service of Saxton for ten months from this Date for which Service he is to Receive the Sum of one Pound Thirteen Shillings and four Pence Lawfull money with the Privilage of Diging Graves Provided his Demands there for be not unreasonable and at Said meeting the Selectmen appointed m[r] Jon[a] Porter to be Pound Keeper for the year Currant for the Lawfull fees which Service and Privilages were afterwards (with the Consent of the Parties Concernd) Transfered to Samuel Tarbox and he having Performed the Service of a Saxton the two foregoing months was to have for the whole year two Pounds Lawfull money

May 16 1751 At a Town meeting Regularly Warn'd & Conven'd in order to Chuse a Represantative after Sev-

eral Trials were made no Choice could be obtained. m^r^ Sam^ll^ Gott was then Chosen Moderator for the Remaining. Business of the meeting and the following votes were Past

1 That the Towns acre of Land adjoyning to their House in which Patrick Burn now Lives Lay Common the Present Year

2 that the Swine may go at Large Provided they be yoked and wringed according to Law

Sept 16 1751 At a Town meeting of the Inhabitants of Wenham Regularly warn'd and Convend m^r^ Nathanael Fairfield being chosen moderator it was voted as follows namely

1 that the Sum of one Hundred and Eighty Six Pounds Thirteen Shillings & four Pence be Raised in order to Defray the Charges of the Town the year Currant

2 Voted that Benjamin Kimball the Town Treas^r^ Shall Pay all the Charges that arose at Newbury Court in the year 1750 on account of the Process that was Brought by Said Treasr against Capt John Dodge

Decr 16 1751 At a Town meeting of the Inhabitants of Wenham Regularly Warned & Convened m^r^ Eben^r^ Waldron Being Chosen Moderator it was voted as follows namelv

that Mess^r^ Zaccheus Goldsmith Sam^ll^ Rogers Eben^r^ Waldron Richard Dodge & Josiah Herrick be a Com^tee^ to Examine the accounts of the Late Pew Com^tee^ in order to Se where the moneys are that are yet Due to the Town for the Pews and to make Report thereof at the next Town meeting

We the Subscribers Being Lawfully authorized have this Day met & Preambulated and Renewed the Bounds Between Salem and Wenham Begining at a White oak Stump with Stones about it Standin about one Rod & an half North Easterly from Theop Fisks Barn & near the North End of Wenham Causway from thence over Said Causey South Easterly to a Stake and Stones Standing on the westerly Side of the South End of the Causey which is the Devisional Bounds Between Wenham & Porters farm Thence about South west to a Stake and Stones

Standing near the Head of Leaches medow at the Easterly End of the Devisional wall Between Porters & Andrews Land from thence South Easterly to a White oak tree Standing in the wall Between Isaac Dodges and John Bakers heirs mark.d with S & W from thence South Easterly to a heap of Stones in Josiah Herricks orchard about seven feet Easterly from a Small apple tree marked S & W being the Second tree in the Second Row now Standing in the old orchard northwardly from the Second Southern Wall from thence North Easterly to a heap of Stones in Isaac Dodges Land from thence South Easterly to a heap of Stones in or near James Meachams meddow from thence Southwesterly to a White oak tree marked S. W. B. & S. Standing in Nath Raymonds Pasture Land which is the Bounds tree Between Salem Wenham & Beverly all which Bounds we have Renewed May ye 13: 1751

Sam Gott	for	Daniel Epes Junr	
Jon^{a} Kimball Junr	Wenham	Nathan Procter	for
		John Procter	Salem
		John Andrew	

We The Subscribers Being appointed by the Selectmen of Wenham & Beverly to Preambulate on the Line and Renew the Bounds Between sd Towns in Pursuance of Such appointment have met on the Thirtieth Day of April 1751 and mutually agreed in the following manner
viz Beginning at a White oak tree in Raymonds Land in Birch Plain so Called Marked WB with Stones about it thence to a stump on the Northerly Side of Alfords hill thence to the Corner of of the wall on the Easterly Side of the Countrey Road three foot and half Southward from an apple tree Standing to the northward of Freeborn Balchs Barn marked WB thence to a Stake & Stones in Peter Woodburys Land Three feet & half northward of a Poplar Tree marked WB thence to the Bounds by Amos Dodges which we could not agree to Renew by Reason the Records of Said Towns not agreeing as we found by Comparing Sd Records then to the Stake and Stones marked W: B near Larcums Corner thence to a Stake and Stones marked WB on the Easterly Side of Longham medow thence to a Stake and Stones on the Easterly side

of Racoon Marsh So Called thence to a White oak Stump in Joseph Giddinges wall with Stones about it formerly a Tree then Turning North Easterly to a white oak Tree markd WB with Stones about it on Gravely Ridge then more Easterly to the Stump of a tree in Prestons Corner then Northerly to a Pine tree marked W : B : with Stones about it In Confirmation of the foregoing Preambulation we have hereunto Set our hands.

Abraham Kimball, Sam[ll] Tarbox Jun[r], Sam[ll] Goodridge } for Wenham
John Conant, Peter Woodbury } for Beverly

We the Subscribers being appointed and Impowered by the Selectmen of Wenham & Topsfield to Preambulate and Renew the Bounds Between our Said Towns as followeth Begining at the White oak Stump near Theophilus Fisks Barn it Being Salem Northerly Corner Bounds thence Easterly to a Stake and heap of Stones on the West Side of the Road Leading from Wenham Causey to Bunkers Meadows by the Stone wall from thence to a Plump of Maples So Called but now a Stump and thence as the Brook Runeth to a Stake and heap of Stones at the going over the Brook from thence to the South Easterly Corner of Piggdons Meadow So Called and So to the River all which is according to the Settlement in the year 1740 and in Conformation of all abovewritten we have Hereunto Set our hands This 29 Day of April 1751

Tho[s] Tarbox, Theophilus Fisk, John Gott } for Wenham
Matthew Peabody, Jacob Dwinell, Richard Towne } for Topsfield

December the 17 1751 We the Subscribers being appointed a Com[tee] by Ipswich and Wenham to Preambulate the Line Between Said Towns we have Viewed and Renewed the Bounds Between the Towns and have agreed thereto

Timothy Patch, John White, Daniel Porter } for Wenham
John Patch Jun[r], John Whipple 3[d] } for Ipswich

The above and foregoing Returns of Preambulations are Truly Entered as they were Delivered To me to Enter

Attest Jon[a] Kimball Jun[r] Town Clerk

Febr 22 1752 Whereas mr John Gott of Wenham on the Day of this Date has Exhibited a Complaint unto us the Subscribers Selectmen of said town Dated Febr 21: 1752 Shewing that the way from his Dwelling house to the highway at the West End of the Town was Encumbered by Laying of Stones therein & thereby Rendered unpasable and Likewise Requested that we would Lay him out a way which we have done in the following manner viz Begining at a Large Stump at the South Easterly Corner of of Said Gotts Land one Pole & four feet to the town highway the wedth whereof at Said high way is two Poles and from the highway on the North Easterly Side the Length thereof is two Poles and Six feet and the wedth against the said Gotts Land from the north Easterly Side is one Pole and six feet to the bounds first mentioned

Jona Kimball Junr } Selectmen
Samll Tarbox Junr } of
Edmund Kimball } Wenham

March 3: 1752 At an annual meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Wenham Regularly Warned & Conven'd Mr Samuel Rogers being Chosen moderator the Persons here after named were chosen to Serve in the Respective offices hereafter mentioned namely

John White }
Samuel Rogers }
Abraham Kimball } Selectmen
Jona Kimball Junr }
Samll Tarbox Junr }

Nathanael Kimball Junr }
Isaac Giddings } Consls
Benjamin Kimball) Treasr
Jona Kimball Junr) Town Clerk
Jona Kimball Junr) Leather Sealer
David Batcheller) Sealer of Weights)
and Measures)

Nathanael Bragg } Tything men
Jeremiah Dodge }

Nath Rogers } Informers
Richard Kimball } of
} Deer

Bartholomew Dodge, Nathanael Bragg, Richard Dodge } Surveyors of Highways

Samuel Porter, Daniel Porter, Benjamin Ober } Fencviewers

Samuel Tarbox, John Killam, Bartholomew Dodge } HoggReaves

To all which offices they have Been Respectively Sworn Then the Town Proceeded upon the other Business Contained in the Warrant & voted as follows

1 That Mess[r] Ebenezer Waldron Samuel Gott & Jon[a] Porter be a Com[tee] to make Enquiry Concerning an apple Tree or two Supposed to be the Towns Property that was Lately Taken from or near the Burying Place and make Report to the Town

2 Voted that the Com[tee] Lately Chosen to Examine the Pew Com[tees] accounts be further Impowered to Proceed in that affair agreeable to a Late vote of the Town —

3 Voted that the Selectmen be Impowered to Sell all the Towns Land Adjoyning to their House where Patrick Burn now Lives Excepting So much as they may think Necessary to accomodate the House with a yard and Garden

Lastly Voted to Confirm the Late act of the Selectmen in their Laying out a Private way for mr John Gott from his Land to the highway at the West End of the Town

March 9 1752 At a meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham Then agreed with Benj[a] Bragg to Keep School in the Town where they Shall appoint the Space of Six months from the 16th Instant in order to Teach Children to Read and write for which Service he is to have the Sum of one Pound twelve Shillings Lawfull money Per month out of the Town Treasury

March 16 1752 At a meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham Then agreed with Samuel Tarbox to Perform the Service of a Saxton for the Ensuing year for which he is to Receive two Pounds Lawfull money at which time the said Tarbox was appointed Pound Keeper for the year

Ensuing Provided his Demands therefor be agreeable to Law.

May 18 1752 At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Wenham Regularly warned & Conven'd in order to chuse a Representative after Several Trials were made and no Choisse Could be obtained the town Desisted Supposing they were not obliged by Law to Send a Deputy to the Great & General Court — and at said meeting Capt Th^{o} Tarbox being Chosen moderator it was voted that the Swine might go at Large the year Ensuing if yoked and wringed according to Law

June 29 1752 At a Town meeting of the Inhabitants of Wenham Regularly warned and Conven'd m^{r} Eben^{r} Waldron Being Chosen moderator the following votes were then Past namely

1 Voted to fence the Burying Place

2 Voted to fence Said Burying Place with a Stone wall

3 Voted that mess^{r} Sam^{ll} Rogers Sam^{ll} Tarbox Junr and John Friend be a Com^{tee} to Divide the Fence about the Burying Place with the adjacent Proprietors and Proportion Every mans Part thereof agreeable to their Taxes —

We the Subscribers being a Com^{tee} Chosen by the Town of Wenham to affix and Settle the Boundaries of our Burying Place with the adjacent Proprietors having met with Said Proprietors for that Purpose on this first Day of June 1752 Proceeded to do it in the following manner viz

Begining at the Seccond Post to the Northward of Capt Dodges wall by the Countrey Road from thence Runing Easterly about nine Poles to a Stake from thence Northerly a Streight Line to a Stake and Stones Standing Between the Burying Place and John Kimballs Land from thence to the North East Corner of the Burying Place to a Stake and Stones from thence Northwesterly as the Post holes of the Late fence about the Said Burying Place now appear to the Countrey Road —

as Witness our Hands

John Dodge, John Kimball } Proprietors

Jon^{a} Porter, Sam^{ll} Gott, Eben^{r} Waldron } Com^{tee}

A true Copy of the Com^{tees} Return
Attest Jon^{a} Kimball Junr Town Clerk

Octr 2 1752 At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Wenham Regularly Warned and Convened Dea Jon^{a} Kimball Being Chosen moderator it was voted as follows namely

1 Voted that the Sum of two Hundred Pounds Lawfull money be Leveyed on the Inhabitants of the Town in order to Defray the necessary Charges thereof the Ensuing year

2 Voted that the Late Com^{tee} who were Chosen to Proportion the fence about the Burying Place be Impowered to have it Built four foot and an half high from the Surface of the Earth

3 Voted to have the fence about the Burying Place finished by the 20 Day of April next Ensuing

Novr 18 1752 At a meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham then Abraham Kimball Samuel Tarbox Junr John White and Jon^{a} Kimball Junr Took the oath of Assessors

Decr 17 1752 At a meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham Then agreed with m^{r} Benj^{a} Bragg to Keep a School in the middle Part of the Town from the 25 Day of Decr Instant untill the first Day of March next Ensuing in order to teach Children to Read write and Cypher for which service he is to have from the Town the Sum of two Pounds Sixteen Shillings Lawfull money

Benj^{a} Bragg

Abraham Kimball, John White, Jon^{a} Kimball Junr } Selectmen of Wenham

March 6 1753 At an Annual Town meeting of the Inhabitants of Wenham Dea Jonn^{a} Kimball Being Chosen Moderator the Persons hereafter named were Chosen to Serve in the Respective offices hereafter mentioned the year Ensuing viz

Mesrs^{r} Josiah Herrick Abraham Kimball Eben^{r} Waldron John White & Jon^{a} Kimball Junr Select^{men} Jon^{a} Kimball Junr Town Clerk — John Friend Town Treasurer — Thomas Brown Con^{ble} for the West and Abraham Knowlton Con^{ble} for the East End of the Town

Mess^{r} Edmund Kimball Robert Baker and Isaac Giddings Surveyors of highways
Mess^{r} Zaccheus Goldsmith Jeremiah Dodge and John Killam Fence viewers
Mess^{r} Samuel Tarbox Junr and Samuel Goodridge Tything men
David Batcheller Sealer of Weights and measurers & Jon^{a} Kimball Junr Leather Sealer
Mess^{r} James Friend Churchill Knowlton and Amos Batcheller — Hogreaves
Mess^{r} Nathanael Kimball Junr and Edward Waldron Informers of Deer to which offices they have all been Sworn excepting Robert Baker
and at the above Said meeting the Town Proceeded to act upon the other articles Contained in the warrant and voted as follows namely
1 Voted that a Process in Law be Brought against the Late Pew Com^{tee} in order to Bring them to account with the Town for the moneys yet in their hands on account of the Pews
2 Voted that m^{r} Richard Dodge be the Towns agent to bring a Suit in Law against the Late Pew Com^{tee} in order to Recover the money that appears to be in their hands on account of the Pews
3 Voted that the Selectmen be Impowered to make what allowance they Shall Proper to Lieut William Dodge for those Stones which he Procured for Steps at the meeting-house Doors
4 Voted that the Selectmen be Impowered to make Sale of a Small Strip of Land Laying in the High-way from the Bridge at the East End of the Town against m^{r} Jacob Dodges Land as far as his Barn to the said Dodge Provided the highway be not Discommoded thereby
March 12 1753 At a meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham then agreed with m^{r} Benj^{a} Bragg to Keep a School in the middle Part of the Town four months in order to teach Children and youth to Read write & cypher for which Service he is to have one Pound twelve Shillings Per month of the town and also then agreed with Samuel Tarbox to Perform the Service of a Saxton the year En-

suing for which he is to have two Pounds Lawfull money and Likewise to be Pound Keeper the Ensuing year Provided his Demands Therefor be agreeable to Law.

May 17 1753 Att a Town meeting of the Inhabitants Wenham Legaly warned & Convend in order to Chuse a Representative & after Several Trials no Choice obtained the Town then Desisted Supposing they were not under the Injunctions of the Law in that Respect &C: Also at the same meeting. Dea^{n} Jonathan Kimball Chosen moderator. Samuel Goodridge Chosen & Sworn to the office of Town Clerk. Robert Baker Chosen Sealer of Leather Voted. that the Swine go att Large Being yoked & wringed according To Law.

May 22 Att A meeting of the Selectmen, Robert Baker appeared & was Sworn to the Respective offices of Surveyor of High ways & Sealer of Leather. Also att the Same meeting of the Selectmen they Purchased A Will fix'd Firelock for £1–1–4: & Delivered it to Cap^{tn} John Dodge to Keep as Part of the Towns Stock

Essex. ss.

To Thos Brown Constable of Wenham Greeting In his majestys name you are hereby Required forthwith to warn & notify the Freeholders & other Inhabitants (Belonging to your ward) who are Qualified by Law to vote in town affairs that they assemble & meet together at our meeting house on Tuesday the Second Day of October next at Two of ye Clock afternoon then & there to act on the following Particulars (viz)

First

To See what Sum or Sums of money they will Raise to Pay the Towns Debts & Ingagements the year Currant

2ndly

To Receive the report of Mr Richard Dodge the towns Agent To Bring A Process against the Late Pew Committee for moneys In their hands & To act anything Relating that affair which the Town Shall think Proper

3rdly To Choose a Committee to Look after all Incroachments upon the high ways in the Town

4^{ly} To see what Further Steps may be Taken In order to

the fencing our Burying Place & To Act in that affair as they shall Think Proper
Hereof failnot & make Due Return of this Warrant and your own Doings thereon To the Select men at Time & Place herein Mentioned
Dated at Wenham Sep^{tr} 24: 1753: By order of ye Select-men

Samuel Goodridge
Town Clerk

Return
Essex: ss:
Sep^{tr} 26: 1753 Pursuant to this warrant Ihave warned and notified the Inhabitants of this Town Belonging to my ward who are Qualified by Law to vote in town affairs to meet at Time & Place within mentioned
N.B. P^{r} me Thos Brown Constable of Wenham
An other Warrant Parralel with ye above was Committed to Constable Abraham Knowlton To warn ye other ward in ye Town
with
With This Return
Essex: ss: Notified and warned the Inhabitants of Wenham in my ward according to Law:
by me Abraham Knowlton Const^{le} of Wenham

Wenham Oct. ye 2nd 1753
The foregoing Warrant & Returns & Truly Recorded
Attst Samuel Goodridge Town Clerk

Octr 2nd 1753 } Upon the foregoing warrant Att a Town meeting Duely Convened

The following votes were Passed (viz)
Dea^{n} Jonathan Kimball Chosen moderator
First: Voted to Raise one hundred & Twenty Pounds by A Tax on the Poles & Estates of the Inhabitants of ye Town & Lands Lying within the Same to pay the Towns Debts & Ingagements the year Currant:
2ndly It was Put to vote whether or no the Town would act anything Upon the Report of m^{r} Richard Dodge the Towns agent to Bring A Process in Law against the Late Pew Com^{tee} for moneys in their hands or anything further Relating that affair & it Past in the Negative

3rdly Voted to Choose A Committee to Look after all Incroachments Upon the high ways in the Town
4 Voted the Sd Committee to Consist of five men
5ly Voted that mr Jonathan Porter Captn Thos Tarbox mr John White mr John Gott Lieut Josiah Herrick to be the Constituents of the said Committee
6ly Voted that the Said Committee make Return of their Inspection of the high ways To the Town at their Next Annual Town meeting ——
7ly Voted To Proceed To Fence the Burying Place & To Choose A Committee of three men To Proportion the Fence about ye Burying Place to Every man his Lott According To his Tax's
8ly Voted that Samuel Tarbox Junr Samuel Goodridge & John Friend be A Committee for the Same & To have full Power to Divide Fence with the Adjacent Proprietors, then the meeting was adjourned To the First Tuesday In Novbr Next at 3 of the Clock afternoon To meet att the meeting house ——
Att A Meeting of the Selectmen Octr 23: 1753 Abraham Kimball Ebenr Waldron John White Took ye assessors oath as ye Law Directs
We the Subscribers Being Chosen A Committee By the Town of Wenham & Impowrd To Divide fence about our burying Place with the Adjacent Proprietors having met for that Purpose on this 24th Day of Octr 1753 have Divided Said fence in the following manner (viz) Beginning with John Kimball, the Length of the Lines against Said Kimballs Land is Twenty five Pole & Six Inches said Kimball is To have Twelve Pole Eight feet six Inches of the Southerly Part of ye fence on the Easterly Side of said burying place for his part of fence.
And Four feet & half of the said Easterly Side of ye burying Place at the Northerly End of Sd Line & the whole Line on the Northerly Side of Said Burying Place is the Towns Part of fence against the sd Kimballs Land The Length of the Lines against Captn John Dodges Land is thirteen Pole fourteen feet & half on those Lines the Town is to have for their part on the Southerly Side of Sd Burying Place Begining at the Country Road Ex-

tending Easterly Six Pole fifteen feet & six Inches the Rest of this Line & the Line on the Easterly Side of Sd Burying Place against the sd Dodges Land which is six pole fifteen feet & Six Inches the Said Dodge is to have for his Part of fence against Said Burying Place In — Confirmation hereof we have hereunto set our hands the Day Above sd

John Kimball, John Dodge } Adjacent Proprietors { Sam[ll] Tarbox Jun[r], John Friend, Sam[ll] Goodridge } Com[ttee]

A True Entry of the Com[tee] Return

Att[st] Samuel Goodridge Town Clerk

Nov[br] 6.1753: At A Legal Town meeting held by adjournment the following votes were Passed (viz) (Dea[n] Jonathan Kimball being moderator)

First It was Put to vote Whether or no the Town will have any better fence against the Country Road than against the adjacent Proprietors & it past in the Negative

2 Voted that the Stone wall about our burying Place be built four feet and Six Inches In height from the Surface of the Earth

3 Voted that there be a Trench Dug Six Inches from the Surface of the Earth Downwards to Lay the foundation of the said wall upon —

4 Voted that the Com[tee] Chosen To Proportion the fence about the burying Place shall have Power To Place the fence against the Road where it now Standeth or Nigher the Country Road as they think Proper

5 Voted the Price of one Rod of y[e] said wall Be thirteen shillings

6 Voted that the fence about the burying Place be built & finished by y[e] first Day of May Next & that after the fence is Proportioned by the Com[tee] If any Person shall make up one Pole of fence as before

Voted that then they shall be Intitled To thirteen Shillings & so pro Rato according as his Lott shall be & that If any Person Neglect to make Up his fence by the first Day of May Next that then the said Com[tee] be Impowered to make it Up as soon as maybe

7 Voted that there be a gate made Eight feet wide In-

cluding the Posts & that ye gate be made in Two Leaves & hung with Iron hinges

8 Voted that there be a Tax (of Twenty four Pound) made for Defraying the Charge of fencing ye burying Place

9 Voted that ye said fence be built To the Acceptance of the said Committee

Wenham Novr 27th 1753

We the Select men have Approbated And Do well approve of Mr William Batcheler to Keep A School for our Town for Three months to Come to Learn our Children to Read Write & Cypher

Abraham Kimball } Select
Josiah Herrick } men of
Eben^r^ Waldron } Wenham

The above is Truly
Entered
Att^st^ Samuel Goodridge Town Clerk ——

At A meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham Jan^ry^ 11th 1754

Then Approbated m^r^ Benjn Rogers To Keep A School in our Town by the Space of Two months Commencing Dec^r^: 31:1753 For which Service he is To have of the Town four Pounds —

Josiah Herrick }
Eben^r^ Waldron } Selectmen
Abra^m^ Kimball } of Wenham

A True Entry, Exam^d^
Att^st^ Samuel Goodridge: T: Clerk:
(Seal) Essex: ss:

To Thos Brown one of the Constables of the Town of Wenham: Greeting You are hereby required in His majestys Name Forthwith To warn and Give notice to the Freeholders & other Inhabitants Belonging to your Ward that they Assemble & meet To Gether at our meeting house on Tuesday the Fifth Day of March next at nine of the Clock in the forenoon then & there To Act Upon the Following Particulars (viz)

First To Choose Town officers for the year Ensuing

2ndly To Receive the Report of the Comtee for Inspection of high ways & & act thereon as the Town Shall think Convenient —
3rdly To Choose an agency To Answer A Presentment of the Kings high-way Between Amos Dodge & Benjamin Edwards their Dwelling houses, at the next Inferior Court of General sesions To be holden at Ipswich on the Last Tuesday of march Next
4ly To See whether the Town will allow & Lay out A high way at the West End of the Town From Benjamin Fairfields Barn over the Causey To Topsfield Line also To See what the Town will Do Respecting amending & Repairing Sd way
5ly To see Whether the town will allow the Time Limited for fencing the Burying Place to be Posponed to A Certain Period beyond the former
Lastly To See what allowance they will make To mr Josiah Fairfield and others for their Cost & Expence in Building the Pulpit Stairs in our meeting house
Hereof Fail not & make Return of your Doings herein to the Selectmen att Time & Place herein Mentioned
Dated at Wenham Feb: 18: 1754) By order of
the Selectmen
Return Samll Goodridge Town Clerk
Essex ss. Febry 21: 1754
Pursuant To this warrant Ihave notified the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of this Town Belonging To my ward To meet at time and Place within mentioned
per. me Thomas Brown Constable
of Wenham
N: B: Another warrant Parralel With the foregoing was Delivered the other Constable For the other Wards with this Return
Essex: ss: By virtue of this Warrant Ihave notified the Inhabitants of our town Belonging To my ward to meet at time & Place within mentoned
Wenham March 5: 1754
P me Abraham Knowlton Constable
March 5: 1754 Upon the Foregoing Warrants Att An Annual Town meeting of the Inhabitants of Wenham Duely Convened on March 5: 1754

To Following Votes were Passed (viz) Dea^{n} Jonathan Kimball Moderator

Firstly Selectmen: Ebenezer Waldron, Benjamin Kimball, Sam^{ll} Goodridge, Daniel Porter, Sam^{ll} Tarbox J^{r}

Town Clerk) Samuel Goodridge

Treasurer) John Friend

Constables: Thos Brown: West End of the Town; Jacob Dodge East

Surveyors of Highways: Bartholomew Dodge West Part of the Town; Nath^{ll} Kimball Jr Middle; John Killam East

Fence viewers: John Rogers, James Dodge, Isaac Dodge — Sealer of Weights & Measures: David Batchellor

Sealer of Leather) Robert Baker — Tything men) Josiah Batchellor, Edward Waldron

Hogrieves: Benjamin Haggit, Jeremiah Dodge, Edmond Kimball J^{r} — Deer Rieves: Caleb Coye, Richard Dodge

Corder & Measurer of Wood) John Rogers —

To which offices they have Been Respectively Sworn Except Isaac Dodge & Caleb Coye

Second — Voted that m^{r} Jonathan Porter be the Towns agent To make answer in Behalf of the Town To the Presentment of the Kings high way Between the Dwelling houses of Amos Dodge & Benjamin Edwards at the next Inferior Court of General sessions To be holden at Ipswich on the Last Tuesday of March Instant

3rdly It was Put to vote whether the Town would Lay out A high way at the West End of the Town over the Causey & so to Topsfield line & it Passed in the negative

4^{ly} It was Put to vote whether the Town would Postpone the time limited for fencing the Burying Place & it Past in the negative

Lastly Voted to allow m^{r} Josiah Fairfield & others

£4–13–4 for their Cost & Expence in Rebuilding the Pulpit Stairs in our meeting house

The foregoing is Truly Entered

Attst Samuel Goodridge Town Clerk

March 11: 1752 At a meeting of the Selectmen then agreed with Samuel Tarbox To Perform the office of A Sexton for the Space of one year from the Date hereof For Two Pounds —

Also to be Pound Keeper For the Legal Fees ——

Also at the Same Meeting, Eben^{r} Waldron, Daniel Porter, Sam^{ll} Tarbox J^{r} Took the Assessors oath —

March 18: 1754 Benjn Kimball & Sam^{ll} Goodridge were sworn as Assessors

March 7: Isaac Dodge was Sworn To the office of Fence Viewer In Presence of the Selectmen.

We the Subscribers being Respectively appointed by the Selectmen of Wenham & Beverly To Perambulate on the line & Renew the Bounds Between s^{d} Towns of Wenham & Beverly have accordingly met on this 23rd Day of April anno Domini 1754 & Being uncertain with Regard To the bounds Between Beverly & Danvers. We Began at the White oak Tree Standing in the wall Between the Land of Isaac Dodge & Cap^{tn} John Bakers – heirs markd S: W: thence South Easterly To A heap of Stones In Lieut. Josiah Herricks orchard: about seven feet Eastward from a Small Apple Tree mark^{d} W: B: Being the Second Tree in the Second Row now Standing in the old Orchard: North ward of the Second Southern Wall, thence North Easterly To A heap of Stones In Isaac Dodges Land thence South Easterly To a heap of Stones in James Meachams meadow thence To the White oak in Raymonds Land mark^{d} W & B: Being Formerly A Corner Bounds of —

Salem

Salem Wenham & Beverly thence to a Stump in the Stone Wall Standing To the Northward of Alfords hill thence To the Corner of the Wall on the East Side of the Country Road 3½ feet Southerly from an apple Tree Standing To the Northward of Freeborn Balch's Barn marked W: B: thence To A Stake & heap of Stones in Peter Wood-

berrys Land 3½ feet Northward from a Poplar Tree mark[d] W: B Thence To A heap of Stones on the wall on the Southerly Side of the high way a few Rods to the Eastward of Amos Dodge's house & one Rod Northward from an apple Tree mark[d] W.B: thence to A Stake & heap near Larcums Corner mark[d] W: B: thence To A Stake & heap of Stones on the East Side of Longham meadow thence To a Stake & heap of Stones on the East Side of Raccoon marsh So called thence to a White oak Stump in Nath[ll] Dodges wall with Stones about it — Formerly a Tree Thence Turning North Easterly To A White oak Tree on Gravelly Ridge mark[d] W: B: with Stones about it thence more Easterly To A Stump In Preston Corner thence Northerly To A Pine Tree with Stones about it mark[d] W: B: In Confirmation of the Foregoing Perambulation we have hereunto Sett our hands

Beverly	John Leech Benj[n] Jones Josiah Batchelder Joseph Wood Edward Raymond	Wenham	James Kimball Eben[r] Waldron Josiah Herrick

We, the Subscribers being appointed & Impowered by the Selectmen of Wenham & Topsfield to Perambulate & Renew the Bounds Between our S[d] Towns accordingly have meet & Renewed the Bounds as Followeth Beginning att a white oak Stump near theophilus Fisks Barn it Being Danvers Northerly Corner Bounds thence Easterly to A Stake & heap of Stones on the West Side of the Road Leading from Wenham Causey To Bunkars meadow by the Stone wall from thence to the plump of maples or A Stump but now a heap of Stones Lying in the Brook thence as the Brook Runneth To A Stake & heap of Stones at the Going over sd Brook From thence To the South Easterly Corner of Pigdons meadow so Called & So to the River all which is agreeable to To the Settlement in y[e] year 1740: Topsfield April 23rd 1754.

	Thos Tarbax	For	Richard Towne
For	Benj[m] Kimball	Topsfield	Jacob Dwinel
Wenham	Isaac Dodge		
	Sam[ll] Tarbox Jr		

We the Subscribers Being Legally authorized have this Day met & Perambulated & Renewed the bounds Between Danvers & Wenham Begining at a white oak Stump with Stones about it Standing about one rod & an half north Easterly from Theophilus Fisks Barn & near the north End of Wenham Causey from thence over s[d] Causey S: Easterly to a Stake & Stones Standing on the Westerly Side of the South End of S[d] Causey which is the Divisional Bounds & Between Wenham & Porters farm thence about S: W: To A Stake & Stones Standing near the head of Leechs meadow at the Easterly End of the Divisional wall Between Porters & Andrews Land. thence South Easterly To A White oak Tree mark[d] D: W: & B Standing in y[e] wall Between Isaac Dodge & John Bakers heirs

Danvers Apriel 23: 1754

Tho[s] Tarbox		Daniel Epes Jun[r]	
Benj[n] Kimball	for	Sam[ll] Putnam	
Isaac Dodge	Wenham	Eben[r] Goodel	for
Sam[ll] Tarbox Jr.		Jasper Needham	Danvers
		James Prince	
		Israel Andrews	
		John Andrews	

We the Subscribers Being appointed by the Towns of Manchester & Wenham To Perambulate & Renew the Bounds Between our sd Towns Respectively have met this 29 Day of April Anno Domini 1754 at the Pine Tree mark[d] M. W. the Corner Bounds where Wenham meets with Manchester line from thence To Dodges Stump So Called for which we Placed a Stake mark[d] M W wittness our hounds the Day above Said ——

Jacob Dodge		Tho[s] Lee	for
Caleb Coye	For	Jonathan Herrick	Manchester
Sam[ll] Goodridge	Wenham		
Edward Waldron			

The above & foregoing Return of Perambulation are Truly Entered

Att[st] Samuel Goodridge Town Clerk —

(Seal) Essex. ss: To Jacob Dodge one of the Constables of Wenham, Greeting In his majestys Name you are

hereby Required forthwith to warn & Give notice to the freeholders & other Inhabitants (who are qualified by law to vote) belonging to your Ward that they assemble & meet together at our meeting house on Monday the twentieth Instant at one of the Clock in the afternoon then & there to act on the following Particulars —
First. To Choose a meet Person to Serve for Represent them att the Great & General Court In their session & Sessions to be begun & held at the Court house at boston on Wednesday the Twenty Ninth Day of May Instant —
2 To See If the will Choose a Committee to see where the Incroachments are Upon the high ways & who the Particular Assessors are & Come into Some measures where by the Incroachments may be Removed ——
3 — To see if the Town will make any allowance to m^{r} Benjn Edwards for the high way now going thro' his Land^{e}
4 To See what measures the Town will Come into Respecting the Regulating a school in the Same
5 To see if the Town will allow & Layout a high way from Benjn Fairfields Land over the Causey to Topsfield line & to see what they will Do in that affair
6 — To Choose a Com^{tee} To Seat the meeting house
Hereof fail not & make Return of this warrant & your own Doings to the Select men at time & Place herein mentioned
Dated at Wenham may the Eighth Day in the 27th year of his majestys Reign anno Domini 1754 ——
by order of the Selectmen

Sam^{ll} Goodridge Town Clerk

Return
May 20: 1754

According to the within warrant I have warned all the freeholders & other Inhabitants to meet at Time & Place within mentioned

Jacob Dodge Constable of Wenham

N. B. another warrant Parralel with the foregoing for the other ward in this Town was Granted & Return made in manner

(Following

(viz) Essex: ss. May 12 : 1754 by Virtue of this warrant I have notified & warned the freeholders & other Inhabitants of this Town who are Qualified by Law to vote to meet at Time & Place within mentioned Pr me Thos Brown Conble of Wenham
A True Entry attst Samll Goodridge
Town Clerk —

May 20: 1754 Upon the foregoing Warrants At A Legal Town meeting the following Votes were Pass.d viz: Captn John Dodge Chosen Representative
mr Ebenr Waldron moderator

2: It was Put to vote whether or no the Town would Choose A Committee to see where the Incroachments are Upon the high highwavs & who the Particular agressors are & Come into some measures whereby the Incroachments may be Removed & it Passed in the negative

3 It was Put to vote whether or no the Town would make any allowance To Mr Benjn Edwards for the high way now going thro'. his Land & it Pass' in the negative—

4 It was Put To vote whether or no the Town would allow & lay out a high way from Benjn Fairfields land over the Causey To Topsfield line & it Pass'd in the negative —

5 Voted that the school that shall be Keept in the Town for the future (Till the Town shall order otherways) shall be Kept In three Parts of the Town (viz) four months at the West End of the Town.four months in the middle Part of the Town & four months at the East End of the Town & In each of sd Parts at such seasons of the year as the Selectmen for the Time Being shall Appoint

6 Voted to Choose a Comtee To Seat the meetinghouse

7 Voted that the Sd Comtee Consist of three men.

8 Voted that mr Edmond Kimball mr Benjn Edwards mr Samll Tarbox Jr be the Constituents of the sd Committee —

July 5th 1754 At A Meeting of The Selectmen Then Agreed with mr Ebenezer Bray To Keep School In our Town Two months Commencing June 24 Last for which

Service he is To have £1–6–8 per month. Exclusive of his Diet

Augst 26 At A meeting of the Selectmen then agreed with the aforesaid Ebenezer Bray To Continue & Keep School in this Town Two months Commencing the Date hereof on the above Said Terms.

(seal) Essex ss To Jacob Dodge one of the Constables of Wenham Greetings —

You are Hereby Required in his Majestys Name forthwith to warn & Give notice To the freeholders & other Inhabitants who belong to your ward & are Qaulified by law to vote in town affairs that they assemble & meet together at our meeting house on thursday the third Day of Octr Next at Two of the Clock in the afternoon then & there to act on the following Articles (viz)

First To See what Sum or Sums of money they will Raise To Defray the Charge arising within the Same the Year Currant.

Secondly To See what measures they will Come into To Rebuild A Pound within the Same & that whether of wood or Stone Materials

thirdly

Thirdly To See What measures the Town will Come into for the Destruction of wolves Hereof fail not & make Return of this warrant & your own Doings thereon To the Selectmen at Time & Place therein mentioned Dated at Wenham the 23rd Day of Sep^{tr} Anno Domini 1754

By order of the Selectmen

Samuel Goodridge Town Clerk

Return

Wenham Octr 2nd 1754: According to the within warrant Ihave Notified my ward.To meet at Time & Place as within Mentioned

P^{r} me Jacob Dodge Constable

N:B. Another Warrant Parralel with the foregoing was Committed to the other Constable for the other ward with this Return

Essex ss. September 24: 1754 Pursuant to this warrant I have notified The freeholders & other Inhabitants of this Town who are Qualified by law To vote in Town

affairs Belonging To my Ward. To meet at Time & Place within Mentioned. per. me. Thos Brown Constable of Wenham

A true Entry Attest Samll Goodridge Town Clerk

Octr 3: 1754 At A Town meeting Convened Upon the foregoing Warrants The following votes were Passed (viz)

: Captn Thos Tarbox moderator

First. Voted To Raise £120 by a Tax on the Polls & Estates of the Inhabitants of this Town & lands laying within the Same to Defray the Charge of the Town the year Currant

2ndly It was Put to vote whether or no the Town would Build A Pound with stone materials & it Past in ye Negative

3rdly Voted That in Case the Towns of Ipswich Gloster, Manchester & Beverly Will Join in Conjunction with this Town To Give a Bounty of £6–13–4: in adition To the Province Bounty To any Person or Person that shall Kill a wolf or wolfs whelp within the limits of any of the Towns aforesaid & make such Evidence of the Same as will Intitle him or them To the Province Bounty that Then this Town will give an Equal Proportion according To their Province Tax of the Said £6-13–4– To him or them that shall Kill A wolf or wolfs whelp as aforesaid —

Novr 4: 1754 At A meeting of the Select men then agreed with mr Amos Dodge To Keep School one month Commencing the 11th Instant To Instruct In reading Wrighting & Cyphering for which Service he is to have of the Town £1–13–4 of the Town he finding his own board.

Decr 18: 1754 At A meeting of the Selectmen then Agreed with mr Amos Dodge To Keep School in in our Town three months Commencing the fourteenth Day of this Instant Decr for which Service he is to have one Pound – fourteen shillings & Eight Pence Per. month he finding his own board

(seal) Essex: ss To Thos Brown one of the Constables of Wenham Greeting you are hereby required in his majestys Name forthwith to warn & Give notice to the free-

holders & other Inhabitants Qualified by law to vote in Town affairs Belonging to your ward that they assemble & meet together at our meeting house on Wednesday the 18th Day of Decr Instant at Two of the Clock after noon then & there to Consider of & act on the following article (viz)

To Reconsider their vote Concerning the School that the West End of the town may now have their Part of Schooling that falls to them by Course the next Spring, & to act any thing Relating the Regulating of the School in this Town which they shall think Proper

Hereof Fail not but make Return of this warrant & your own Doings to the Selectmen at time & Place hereinmentioned

Dated at Wenham Decr 9th in the 28th year of his Majestys Reign Anno Domini 1754. Per order of the Selectmen

Samll Goodridge Town Clerk

Return

Essex ss

Decr 12th 1754 Pursuant to this warrant Ihave notified the freeholders & others the Inhabitants of this Town Belonging to my ward to meet at time & Place within mentioned . Pr me Thos Brown Constable of Wenham

N: B. Another warrant Parralel with the above was Given to the other Constable for the other ward with this Return

Wenham Decr ye: 18: 1754 Ihave warned all the Freeholders & other Inhabitants To meet at time & Place

A True Entry Attst Samll Goodridge T: Clerk
Jacob Dodge Constable of Wenham

Decr 18: 1754 Upon the foregoing Warrant At A Town meeting Convened The following votes were Passed (viz)

Deacn Jona Kimball moderator

Voted, that the vote Passed Last may Relating the Regulating the School be so far Reconsidered as that the west End of the Town have their Part of Schooling now that falls to them by Course next Spring:

At A meeting of the Select men Decr 23: 1754

Then agreed with m^{r} Ames Cheever To Keep School four months At the West End of the Town In Consideration of one Pound Six Shillings & Eight Pence Per Month & his Diet & Lodging S^{d} Term Commencing the Second Day of this Instant Dec^{r}:

We the Subscribers being appointed by the Select men of Ipswich and Wenham to Perambulate & Renew the Bounds Between s^{d} Towns have met for that Purpose on this 23rd Day of Decr 1754 & mutually agreed in the following manner (viz) Begining at the Springs at A maple Tree mark'd . I: W: thence to A Great white oak on fowlers Island marked I: W: thence to A Black Birch on S^{d} Island mark'd I: W: thence to A Beach on S^{d} Island mark'd I: W: thence to a Beach on Hemlock Island mark'd I: W: thence to A Stump with Stones about it near Pleasant Pond thence to A Walnut tree In Ebenezer Batchellors Corner thence to the Brier Bush By the Country Road thence to a White Oak In Nath^{ll} Fairfields Land thence to A Walnut Tree there to A White oak Tree by the Gate mark.d thence to A white oak Stump mark'd thence to A Pine Stump with Stones about it on the Northerly End of Snake hill thence over the Swamp to a hemlock mark'd thence to A Small white oak in the wall mark'd thence to A hemlock by the Edge of the Upland thence over the Brook To Dodges Stump So Called Witness our hands the Day above said

John Rogers	For Wenham	John Patch J^{r}	For Ipswich
Sam^{ll} Goodridge		Nath^{ll} Potter	
Sam^{ll} Tarbox J^{r}		John Patch ye 4th	
Daniel Porter			

A True Entry Attst Sam^{ll} Goodridge
Town Clerk

Essex: ss

(seals) To Jacob Dodge one of the Constables of Wenham Greeting —

you are hereby Required in his Majestys Name forthwith To warn & Give notice to the Freeholders & other Inhabitants (who belong to your ward) Qualified by law to vote in Town affairs that they assemble & meet Together at our meeting house on tuesday the 28th Day of this In-

stant Jan^{ry} at two of the Clock in the after noon then & there to act on the following Article (viz)
To see What the Town will Do Respecting the Union of the Several Governments on this Continent, as Concerted by the General Court & shall be Exhibited by Cap^{tn} John Dodge

Hereof fail not but make Return of this warrant & your own doings To the Select men at time & Place herein mentioned Dated at Wenham Jan^{ry} the 20th Day in the 28 year of his majestys Reign Anno Domini 1755

By order of the Selectmen Sam^{ll} Goodridge Town Clerk

Return } according to the within warrant I have notified my ward to tend at time & Place within mentioned Jacob Dodge Constable of Wenham

{N: B: another warrant Parralel to the above was Granted the other Constable for the other ward with this Return

Essex: ss: Jan^{ry} 24: 1755 Pursuant to this warrant I have notified the freeholders & others the Inhabitants of this Town belonging to my ward to meet at Time & Place within mentioned

A True Entry Attst

Sam^{ll} Goodridge T. Clerk)

(Thos: Brown Constable of Wenham

At A Legal Town meeting of the Inhabitants of this Town Jan^{ury} 28: 1755 the following Votes were Passed (Viz) Cap^{tn} Jon^{a} Kimball moderater.

The Question Being Put whether the Plan for a Generall Union of the Several Colonies on this Continent as Concerted by the General Court of his Majesties Province of the Massachusetts Bay shall Pass To be Enacted & it was unanimously Resolved in the Negative.

Then the Question was Put whether it Be the minds of this Town That Cap^{tn} John Dodge their Representative be Desired To Use the Uttmost of his Endeavours to Prevent Sd Plans Passing To be Enacted or any other Plan for A Union that may be Concerted by the General Court & unanimously Ressolved in the Affirmative.

Essex: ss To Jacob Dodge one the Constables of Wen-
(Seal) ham Greeting In his Majestys Name You are

hereby Required forthwith to warn and give notice to the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of our Town who belong To your Ward Qualified by Law to vote In Town affairs that they assemble & meet together at our Meeting House on Tuesday the fourth day of March Next at nine of the Clock in the forenoon then & There To act on the following Particulars (viz)

First — To choose Town officers for the year Ensueing To See what Improvements they will make of the burying Place the year Ensueing (or the future) & to see what measusers they will Come into to Enjoin the adjacent Proprietors to S^{d} Burying Place To make their Fence According To law which is against S^{d} Burying Place

3 To Act their pleasure on the Remonstrance of Jonathan Page oflunenburg & Robert Dodge 2nd of Beverly.

4 To act their Plesure on the Remonstrance of Mr Jacob Dodge & others Relating to the Pre sentment they are Under for Incumbring in the Town

Lastly To See If the Swine may go at Large Being yolked & Ringed according to law Hereof fail not but make Return of their Warrant & your own Doings to the Selectmen at time & Place therein mentioned Dated at Wenham the 24th Day of Feb^{ry} In the 28th year of his Majestys Reign anno Domini 1755

Return { March ye 4: 1755 Esexss: By virtue of this warrent Ihave Notified all the Freeholders & other Inhabitants to meet at Time & Place within mentioned Jacob Dodge Constable of Wenham

N: B: another Warrent Parralel to the above was given to the Other Constable with this Return

Essex ss: Feb: 26 1755

By virtue of this warrent I have notified the Freeholders & others the Inhabitants of this Town Qualified By law To vote In Town Affairs Belonging to my ward To Meet at Time & Place Within mentioned

A True Entry P^{r} me Thos Brown Constable of
Attest Sam^{ll} Goodridge T: Cler. Wenham

At An Annual Town Meeting of the Inhabitants of Wen-

ham March 4: 1755 The Following votes were passed (viz) Mr Jona Porter Moderator

Benjn Kimball, Samll Tarbox Jr, Samll Goodridge, Ebenr Waldron, Daniel Porter — Select men — Samll Goodridge: Town Clerk; Captn Jona Kimball Treasurer

Surveyors of highways: Benjn Edwards, Edward Waldron, Danill Gott — East Middle West Districts

Constables: Thos Brown, James Dodge — West East End of the Town

Fence Viewers: Churchill Knowlton, Captn Thos Tarbox, Nathll Bragg

David Batchellor — Sealer of Weights & Measures

Tythingmen: Nathll Kimball Jr, John Friend — Hog Rieves: Jona Perkins, Skipper Dodge, Wm Fisk

Corder & Measurer of wood John Rogers

Amos Batchellor, Samll Porter — Deer Rieves — Sealer of Leather Josiah Ober

To Which offices they have been Respectively Sworn Except Danill Gott & Benjn Edwards

1 Voted that the Improvement of the Burying Place the Year Ensuing Be left to the Discretion of the Selectmen

2 Voted that the Selectmen be Impowred as A comtee To See that the Adjacent Proprietors To the Burying Place Make their Fence which Is against sd Burying Place according To law

3 Voted that the act of the Selectmen in 1753 in making Sale of A Small Strip of Land To Jacob Dodge Be Confirmed the sd Dodge Paying the Consideration of Forty shillings with Intrest Till This Time

4 Voted that it is the humble Request of this Town To the Honble His Majesties Justices of the General sesions of the Peace To be Holden at Ipswich ye Last Tuesday of March Instant. Would Sustain the Presentment of

Zaccheus Goldsmith Benjamin Kimball & Jacob Dodge for Incumbring A Highway in this Town Till the Town have opportunity of Accomodating that affair amongst themselves

5 It was Put To vote whether the Town would act on the Remonstrance of Jon^{a} Page &c & It Past In the Negative

6 Voted that the Swine may go at large Being yok.d & wring.d as the Law Directs

Then the meeting was Adjourned to the house of Mr Jonathan Porter Inholder in Wenham

7 Voted To Reconsider the Negative vote upon the Remonstrance of Jon^{a} Page &c:

8 Voted that If mess^{n} Jon^{a} Page of Lunenburg or Robert Dodge 2nd of Beverly or any other Person Shall Take & Kill Awolf within the Limits of Either of the Towns of Gloster Manchester Ipswich Beverly or Wenham Within the Space of 12 months from this Time they or he Shall be Intitled To A Bounty of 28/ for Each Wolf So Killed out of the moneys of this Town.

March 10: 1755 At A Meeting of the Selectmen then Agreed with Sam^{ll} Tarbox To Perform the office of A Sexton for one year for the Consideration of forty Shillings, s^{d} Term Commencing the Date Hereof, & also agreed with s^{d} Tarbox To be Pound Keeper for the Legal Fees Also at the Same meeting of the Select men Mr Jacob Dodge appeared & Paid the Consideration of forty shillings with Intrest for A Small Stripe of Land Agreeable To A Late vote of the Town

Also at the Same meeting of the Selectmen Benjn Kimball Sam^{ll} Tarbox J^{r} Sam^{ll} Goodridge Eben^{r} Waldron Danill Porter were sworn as assessors

March 17: 1755 then at A meeting of the Selectmen Benjn Edwards & Danill Gott were Sworn to their office of Surveyor of highways At A Meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham June 30: 1755 then agreed with Sam^{ll} Goodridge To Keep School for the space of Two months Commencing the Date hereof. to Teach the Children & youth of this Town In reading writing & arithmetick as the law Directs Respecting Schools for the Consideration of Such

Reasonable Satisfaction as the Selectmen & the S^{d} Goodridge (at the Expiration of the S^{d} Term) shall agree upon
At A meeting of the Seclectmen Augst 18: 1755 then Agreed with Mr Jacob Dodge To Keep Ezekiel Day for the Space of one full year Commencing the Date hereof the S^{d} Dodge is To Find the S^{d} Day During S^{d} Term Sufficient meat Drink washing & Lodging & Neccssary mending of his Clothes & the S^{d} Dodge is To Pay the Consideration of three pound nine shillings & four pence for the Towns use In Clothing at a Reasonable Price for Cash for the S^{d} Day And the Charge of Doctors & Nursing in Case of Sickness & necessary Clothing for the S^{d} Day During S^{d} Term To be Defrayed by the town
Octr 9: 1755 At A meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town Duely Convened as p^{r} Warrant on file may appear Cap^{tn} Thos Tarbox Chosen Moderator the following vote was Pass.d — (viz)
Voted To Raise one hundred & Ten Pounds By A Tax on the Polls & Estates of the Inhabitants of the Town & Lands laying within the Same To Defray the Charge thereof the year Ensueing
At A meeting of the Selectmen Novr 27: 1755 then agreed with Thos Senter To Perform the office of Sexton from this Time till the next Sabbath after the Next Annual meeting Inclusively, after the Rate of forty shillings Per Annum
Also at the Same meeting Appointed Benjn Kimball Pound Keeper Till the s^{d} Sexton time Expires.
At A meeting of the Selectmen Decr 8: 1755 then agreed with Mr Ames Cheever To Keep School at the West End of this Town for the space of four months Commencing the 18th ult. for ye Consideration of Twenty Six shillings & Eight Pence per month Exclusive of his Board & agreed with Sam^{ll} Tarbox to Board the S^{d} Cheever for three shillings & four Pence Per Week — —
At A meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham Feb^{ry} 16: 1756 Then agreed with Mr John Friend To Keep School at the West End of our Town for the Term of one month Commencing the tenth day of this Instant for the Consideration of one Pound Seventeen shillings & four Pence

To Teach the Children & Youth of this town to Read Write & Cypher John Friend

Selectmen of Wenham: Sam[ll] Goodridge, Eben[r] Waldron, Benj[n] Kimball, Sam[ll] Tarbox

A True Entry attest
Sam[ll] Goodridge Town Clerk

At an annual Town meeting of the Inhabitants of Wenham March 2nd 1756 Legally Convened as Per warrant on file may appear was the following Transactions (viz) Cap[tn] Jon[a] Kimball Moderator & officers Chosen for the Ensuing year

Selectmen: Benjamin Kimball, Sam[ll] Tarbox, Sam[ll] Goodridge, Eben[er] Waldron, Danill Porter

Sam[ll] Goodridge Town Clerk

Cap[tn] Jon[a] Kimball Town Treasurer

Constables: Edmond Kimball J[r] for the West End of the Town; James Dodge for the East End of the Town

Surveyors of highways: Josiah Fairfield (West), Sam[ll] Porter J[r] (Middle), John Killam (East) Ward of the Town

Fence Viewers: Edward Waldron, Tho[s] Brown, John Moulton — Tything men: Jon[a] Perkins, William Fisk

Sealer of W[ts] & measurers: David Batchelder — Sealer of Leather: Josiah Ober

Hog Rieves: Benj[n] Dodge, John Rogers, Tho[s] Kimball — Corder & measurer of wood: John Rogers

Informers of Deer: Edward Webber, Isaac Giddings — Hay Wards: Sam[ll] Tarbox, Nath[ll] Bragg, Sam[ll] Goodridge

overseer of the Poor: Jacob Dodge

To Which offices they have been Sworn as the law Directs Except Josiah Fairfield

2nd Voted that the Selectmen Be Impoured to Exchange

land with Mr Nathll Brown where Sd Browns land joins upon the highway leading To the West End of the Town Provided the highway be not Discomoded thereby.
3. It was Put To Vote whether the Town Would Act anything upon the verbal Remonstrance of Nathll Brown & it past in the Negative
4 Voted that the Swine Go At Large the year Ensuing Being Yoked & Wringed According To Law ——
At A meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham March 8:1756 Then agreed with Thos Senter To Perform the office of a Sexton for the year Ensuing for the Consideration of forty shillings & also to have the Priveledge of Digging Graves Provided when the Ground is hard froze.
he asketh but four shillings Per Grave for an Adult Person & when the Ground is not froze. but Two shillings Per Grave & So in Proportion according to the size of Graves.
Also Agreed with Benjn Kimball To be Pound Keeper for the year Ensuing for the Lawfull fee.
And also at the meeting Ebenn Waldron Benjn Kimball Samll Tarbox
Samll Goodridge & Daniel Porter were sworn as Asessor according to law
May 18:1756 At A meeting of the Inhabitants of Wenham Duely Convend as by Warrant may appear To Act on the several Paragraphs therein the following votes were Passed (viz) No Representative Chosen Captn Jona Kimball Chosen Moderator
1 Voted that the Negro Seats at the West End of our meeting house be Lengthned.
2 Voted the Selectmen be ardered to lengthen the Said Negro Seats
3 Voted To Choose a Comtee To view the Causey Called Wenham Causey And make Report at ye adjournment of this meeting What they think Proper for the Town to Do therein & in what manner they think best To Repair it in & how many water Courses & where it is Proper To make then in Sd Causey
4 Voted that Mr Josiah Herrick Mr Richard Dodge & Mr Nathl Brown Jr be a Comtee for Sd Service
then the meeting was adjourned To friday the 21st

inst at four of the Clock afternoon To meet at our meeting house ——

At A meeting of the Inhabitants of Wenham held by adjournment the 21st Day of May 1756: Captn Jona Kimball being moderator the following votes were passed (viz) The Comtee Chosen To view Wenham Causey &c Reported Which was read & Accepted & The Town voted To Repair Wenham Causey in manner as is therein Expressed on Condition that the West Ward of this Town Shall then thence forward for Ever Keep the Sd Causey in Good Repair Which Report is as follows

We the Subscribers a Comtee as appears by a vote of the Town of Wenham which is hereto annexed Report that the whole of Sd Causey be Raised With Stone & Gravel one foot high above the surface of the meadow from the South shore To the Island in sd Causey & from said Island To Topsfield Shore ye whole of sd Causey To be Raised nine Inches with the Same Sort of Stuff & in the Same manner aforesaid & that there be five Water Causes Cleared & Built in the Places where they used to be & that about Twenty three Pole to the South ward of sd Island the Said Causey be made so wide that Two Teams may Pass by Each other also that the sd Causey be Repaired by the three Separate wards of said Town of Wenham in three lotts (viz) the middle ward To begin at the South Shore & Extend about Twenty three Pole to the middle of A water Course & To make one half of sd Water Course with the next ward & also the half of the Extraordinary Charge on the way where the Teams are to meet. the West ward To Begin at the middle of sd water Course & Extend To the middle of the above said Island & the East ward To begin at the middle of sd Island & Extend To A Stake that is Theophilus Fisks Bounds Which he hath Engaged To Repair Sd way Unto Which Stake is about five Pole from the Gate at Topsfield Shore all which is Submitted by

Josiah Herrick
Richard Dodge
Wenham May 21: 1756 Nathll Brown

A True Entry attest Samll Goodridge
Town Clerk

At A meeting of the Selectmen June 24 1756 then Agreed with Sam^{ll} Goodridge To Keep school four months To Teach the Children & youth of this Town In Reading Writing & Arithmetick for Such Reasonable Satisfaction Agreeable To his Service therein ——

Wenham August ye 5th 1756

Upon Complaint made to us the Subscribers by Mr Jonathan Porter of S^{d} Wenham against Cap^{tn} John Dodge his fence as Being Insufficient Betwixt S^{d} Porters land Known by the name of fiskes land & S^{d} Dodges land Known by the name of hulls land & also for S^{d} Dodge Refusing To Divide fence Upon S^{d} line have accordingly met and Divided fence as follows (viz.) We order that S^{d} Dodge make a Good & lawfull fence from the Country Road Betwix S^{d} hulls & fisks land on the line on the South Side of S^{d} Dodges Hulls Land: To the Corner & then turning one Pole from sd corner on the East Side of S^{d} hulls land as the old fence now Stands Which Part we adjudge S^{d} Dodge To make & maintain As his part of fence Betwixt s^{d} lands & s^{d} Porter To Make & maintain the other Part from Where s^{d} Dodge leaves off on S^{d} Easterly Side till it meets with Mr Nath^{ll} Brown J^{r} his land And also on further Complaint Made By S^{d} Porter against S^{d} Dodge his fence being Insufficient Upon the Brook on the South Side of S^{d} Porters land Betwixt that & Dodges home stead & also for want of A Division on S^{d} line have viewed & Divided & order as follows (to wit) that S^{d} Dodge A Good & lawfull fence Beginning at the Country Road By S^{d} Brook & Setting S^{d} fence By the Edge of S^{d} Brook on the Side next to his house till he Comes to A Stake Standing on the Edge of S^{d} Brook amongst a Parcel of alders on the North Side of S^{d} Brook mark.d D: P: being the bounds betwixt S^{d} Dodge & S^{d} Porters part of fence S^{d} Dodge to make & maintain the fence on the West Side of S^{d} Stake & S^{d} Porter to make & maintain that on the East Side of S^{d} Stake & To Set it on the Northerly Side of S^{d} Brook all the foregoing we Agree to & order for S^{d} Porter & Dodge to Perform

A true Entry Attest
Sam^{ll} Goodridge
Town Clerk

Thos Brown
Edwd Waldron
} Fence Viewer In Wenham

Sep^{tr} 6: 1756 Eben^{r} Waldron Benj^{a} Kimball Daniel Porter & Sam^{ll} Goodridge Took the oath Required by an act of this Province made the Present year of his majestys Reign Entitled an act for Enquiring into Rateable Estates &c Sep^{tr} 7: Sam^{ll} Tarbox Took the Same oath

Octr 4 1756 At A Legal meeting of the Inhabitants of Wenham in Town Meeting assembled as by warrant on file may appear the following votes were Passed (viz) Nath^{ll} Brown J^{r} moderator

Voted To Raise £115– by a Tax on the Polls & Estates of Inhabitants of the Town & Lands laying within ye Same To Defray the Charge within the Same ye year Currant —

Nov 29: 1756 At A Legal Town Meeting of the Inhabitants of Wenham Duely Assembled as by warrant on file may appear the following votes were Passed (viz) Cap^{tn} Jonathan Kimball Moderator The Selectmen Presented the Following List of Persons names for the acceptance To Serve As Jurors (viz)

Robert Baker	Benj^{a} Edwards
Isaac Dodge	Benj^{a} Edwards J^{r}
Josiah Herrick	James Friend
Daniel Gott	John Friend
Josiah Fairfield	Abraham Kimball
John Gott	James Kimball
Sam^{ll} Tarbox	Isaac babson
Benjn Fairfield	Amos Batchellor
Jeremiah Dodge	Edmond Kimball J^{r}
Daniel Porter	Thomas Kimball
Bartholomew Dodge	Nath^{ll} Kimball J^{r}
Josiah Ober	Nath^{ll} Bragg
Wm Fisk	John Dodge
John Moulton	Sam^{ll} Porter J^{r}
John Rogers	Nath^{ll} Brown J^{r}
Sam^{ll} Goodridge	Jon^{a} Perkins
Josiah Batchellor	Benj^{a} Dodge
Jon^{a} Porter	Eben^{r} Waldron
Benj^{a} Kimball	Amos Dodge
Daniel Killam	Wm Davidson
Thos Brown	James Dodge

Josiah White	John Killam
Timothy Patch	Andrew Patch
Isaac Giddings	Richard Dodge
Edward Waldron	Wm Cleaves
Jacob Dodge	Andrew Cole

Which List The Town voted To Accept. & Chose the Selectmen A Com^{tee} To Separate them & Put their Names wrote on Separate Pieces of Paper Into Two Box.s one for the Superiour the other for the Inferiour Court

Jan^{ry} 18: 1757 At A meeting of the Selectmen Then Agreed with Mr Ames Cheever To Keep School at the West End of the Town four months Commencing the 16 Day of Novr last Past for the Consideration of 1£–9–4 Per month. & Agreed with Sam^{ll} Tarbox To Diet him at 3/4 Per week

Also at the Same Time Agreed with Mr Tyler Porter To Keep School in the middle of the Town four months Commencing the 13th Day of Decr last Past for the Consideration 1£–16–8 Per month he finding himself his own Diet

Jan^{ry} 21: 1757 At A meeting of the Selectmen then Agreed with Mr John Gerrish To Keep School at the East End of our Town three months Commencing Decr 2nd. Last for the Consideration of forty shillings Per month and his Diet he Keeping three Schools Per Day

March 5th 1757 At An Annual Meeting of the Inhabitants of Wenham Duely Convened as by warrant onfile may appear the Persons hereafter named were Chosen To their Respective offices (& votes were Passed

(viz)

Cap^{tn} Jon^{a} Kimball moderator

Messrs Benjamin Kimball, Sam^{ll} Tarbox, Timothy Patch, Sam^{ll} Goodridge, Eben^{r} Waldron — Selectmen

Amos Batchellor, John Killam — Tything men

David Batchellor — sealor of w^{t} & measures

Josiah Ober — Leather sealor of

Thos Kimball } Hog
Wm Davidson } Reives.
Nath^{ll} Kimball Jr }

Sam^{ll} Goodridge Town Clerk
Sam^{ll} Porter Town Treasurer

Constables { Edmond Kimball Jr. } West } Ward
James Dodge } East } of the
} Town

Messrs { Cap^{tn} Thos Tarbox } Surveyors
Nath^{ll} Brown J^{r} } of
Benj^{a} Dodge } Highways

Wm Cleaves } Informers
Edmond Kimball } of
Deer

John Rogers measure & corder of wood

Voted that the Swine Go at Large the year Ensuing Yoked & Wringed According To Law. ——

Messrs { Jon^{a} Porter }
Benj^{a} Kimball } Fence
Jacob Dodge } viewers

The Before mentioned Persons have been Sworn To their Respective offices as the Law Directs.

Also Voted the Swine Go at large under the Restrictions in Law —

At A meeting of The Selectmen March 7: 1757 Then Agreed with Thos Senter To Perform the Duty of a Sexton & To Dig Graves on the Same Conditions as Last year. Also Eben^{r} Waldron Timtohy Patch Sam^{ll} Tarbox & Sam^{ll} Goodridge Took the Assesors oath. & at the same Time Agreed with Benj^{a} Kimball — To be Pound Keeper the year Ensuing for the Lawfull Fees

At A meeting of the Select men May 2nd 1757 then agreed with Mr Jon^{a} Porter for his house (in which Wm Payton lately Dwelt) for the French People To live in at the Rate of 20^{s}/ per year also for the S^{d} Porter To move them & their Effects To his S^{d} house for 2^{s}/

The Subscribers Being Respectively Appointed by the Selectmen of Wenham & Beverly To Perambulate on the line & Renew the Bounds Betwen S^{d} Towns have Accordingly met on the 25 Day of April Anno Domini 1757 Beginning at a White Oak Tree Standing in the wall Between the Land of Isaac Dodge & the heirs of Cap^{tn} John Baker mark'd W: B & D — Thence Southeasterly to a heap of Stones in Lieu^{t} Josiah Herrick orchard about seven feet Eastward from an apple tree mark^{d} W & B being the second tree in the second Row now standing in the old orchard
Northward of the Second Southern wall, thence northwesterly To A Stake Sett in the ground mark^{d} W: W. & B in Isaac Dodges land the heap of stones in meachams land not Being Renew^{d} but Referred To Salem & Wenham Records & from the white oak Tree mark^{t} W & B in Raymonds Pasture to A Stump in the Stone wall on the Northern Side of Alfords hill thence To A Corner of a wall on the East side of the Country Road three feet & and an half Southerly from an Apple Tree Standing To the Northward of Freeborn Balchs Barn mark't W & B, thence to a Stake & Stones in Peter Woodberrys land three feet & half Northwardly of A Poplar Tree markt W & B: thence To a heap of stones on the wall on the Southerly Side of the Highway a few Rods To the Eastward of the Barn Belonging To the heirs of Amos Dodge. & one Rod Northwardly of an Apple Tree mark'd W & B: thence To a Stake & heap of Stones mark't W & B near Larcums Corner thence To A Stake & heap of Stones on the East Side of Longham Meadow thence To A Stake & heap of Stones on the East Side of Raccoon Marsh So Called thence To a White oak Stump formerly A Tree In Nath^{ll} Dodges wall with Stones about it. thence Turning Northeasterly To a white oak Tree on gravelly Ridge markt W & B with Stones about It. thence more Easterly to A Stump in Prestons Corner three feet Southwesterly of A Wallnut Tree markt W & B: Thence To A Stake & heap of Stones Being the Corner Bounds Between Beverly & Manchester & in a Strait line from Said Prestons Corner To A Pine Tree markt M. W. & B which is

abounds Between Manchester & Wenham In Confirmation of the Foregoing

Foregoing Perambulation we hereunto Sett our hands the Day of the Date above mentioned

For Wenham:
Eben[r] Waldron
Sam[ll] Tarbox
Nath[ll] Bronw
Sam[ll] Porter Jr
Daniel Porter
Benj[a] Edwards Jr
Amos Batcheller
Amos Dodge

For Beverly:
Jonah Dodge
George Raymond
Benj[a] Jones
Nath[ll] Raymond
Caleb Dodge

The foregoing Perambulation is Truly Enter'd Attest
Sam[ll] Goodridge
Town Clerk

We the Subscribers being appointed by the Selectmen of Manchester & Wenham to Perambulate & Renew the Bound, betwixt y[e] Said Town have met Together on the 25 of April 1757 beginning atthe Pine Tree near Beverly Corner mark'd W: M & so on To Dodges Stump being a Bounds Between Ipswich Manchester & Wenham

For Wenham { Timothy Patch, John Dodge Jr.

For Manchester { Benj[a] Lee, Jonathan Herrick

We the Subscribers Being Appointed by the Selectmen of the Towns of Wenham & Topsfield To Perambulate on the line & Renew the Bounds Between Said Towns have met for that Purpose on this 25 day of April 1757 & done it in the following manner (viz) Begining at the Stump Northward of Theophilus Fisks Barn the North-East Corner of Danvers from thence To A Stake & Stones on the West Side of the Road leading To Bunkars meadow from thence To a heap of Stones where formerly stood A Plump of maples from thence To A heap of Stones on the West Side of Robinsons Island from thence To aheap of Stones by South East Corner of Pigdons meadow & So To the River

Matthew Peabody	For
Aaron Esty	Topsfield
Michael Dwinel Jr.	
Thos Tarbox	For
Saml Goodridge	Wenham
Jeremiah Dodge	
Josiah Ober	
Edmond Kimball Jr	

We the Subscribers Being lawfully Authorized have met this Twenty Fifth Day of April 1757 & Perambulated & Renewed the Bounds Between Danvers & Wenham Begining at the White Oak Tree mark'd D W & B — Standing in the wall Between land of Isaac Dodge & the heirs of John Baker thence Northwesterly To A Stake & Stones at or near the head of Leech's meadow at the Easterly End of the Divisional wall Between Porters & Andrews Land Thence To A Stake & Stones Standing on the west ward Side of the East End of Wenham Causey which is the Divisional Bounds Between Wenham & Porters Farm Thence To A white oak Stump. with Stones about it Standing about one Rod & half north from Theophilus Fisks Barn

Corneluss Tarbell	For	Thos Tarbox	For
Stephen Putnam	Danvers	Saml Goodridge	Wen
John Andrews		Jeremiah Dodge	ham
Francis Nurs		Josiah Ober	
Arch Dale		Edmond Kimball Jr	

The three foregoing Articles of Perambulations are Truly Entered.

Attest Saml Goodridge Town Clerk

May 2: 1757 At A meeting of the Selectmen agreed with Mr Jona Porter for his house For the Neutral French To Live in after The Rate of 20s/ Per Annum So long as they Shall Improve ye Same & To move their Effects Into the Same for 2s/ ——

May 19: 1757 At a Town meeting for the Choice of a Representative The Town Unanimously voted not To Choose any Person for their Representative ye year Currant ——

Sep^{tr} 9 : 1757 At A meeting of the Selectmen then agreed with Mr Daniel Gott for Ezekiel Day for one year on the following Conditions (viz) the Sd Gott To have the Labor of the Said Day & Find him Suitable meat Drink & Lodging During S^{d} Term & at the Expiration thereof To Return Said Day with his Cloaths as valuable as they are now & To Give thirty shillings for S^{d} Days Laborer & In Case of Sickness the Charge of Doctors & nurses To Be Defrayed By the Town, & Cap^{tn} Nath^{ll} Brown & Mr Sam^{ll} Tarbox are appointed To apise the Said Days Clothing when the S^{d} Gott Receives him & also at the Expiration of the S^{d} Term

We the Subscribers Being Appointed By the Selectmen of Wenham To Apprise the clothing of Ezekiel Day have attended that Service on this ninth Day of Sep^{tr} 1757 which is as follows (Viz)

Two Cotton Linnen shirts 11/ one old Fine Ditto 31–	0–14–0
A new linnen & woollen Jacket & Breeches	0– 8–0
old Ditto 2/ Ditto 4/ his Best Coat 8/ an old Coat 2/8	0–16–8
A Great Coat 6/ an old Thick Jackett 3/—	0– 9–0
Two Caps 1/ Three Pair of Stockings 5/—	0– 6–0
Two Pair of Shoes 10/8 one Felt hat 2/8 worsted Cap 2/	0–15–4
Two silk handkerchiews 3/—	0– 3–0
	3–12–0

Nath^{ll} Brown
Sam^{ll} Tarbox

A True Entry Attest Sam^{ll} Goodridge
Town Clerk —

Sept. 10 1757 At A meeting of the Inhabitants of Wenham Duely Convened as By warrant on File may appear The following votes were Pased (Viz) Cap^{tn} Nath^{ll} Brown moderator

First voted 125£ By a Tax on the Poles & Estates of Inhabitants & Lands within the Same To Defray the Charge of the Currant year

2^{ndly} It was Put To Vote whether they would act any

thing on the Request of the Committee of Beverly Respecting an high way at the East End of the Town & It Passed unanimously in the negative.

Votes & Acts of The Town & Selectmen of Wenham

We the Subsribers Being a Committee appointed by the Selectmen of Ipswich & Wenham met this 14th Day of Decr 1757 To Perambulate the line Between The Town Begining at Dodges Stump From thence To A hemlock by the Edge of the Upland So on To A white oak Tree in the wall markt so on To A Hemlock markt So on To A Pine Stump with Stones about It on the North Easterly side of Snake Hill So To A white oak Stump mark'd So To A white oak Tree By the Gate mark't So To awhite oak Tree So to the Brier bush by the Country road So on To a Walnut Tree Soon To A Stump near Pleasant Pond the Remaining Bounds not Renewed By Reason the Swamp not Being Froze

Benjamin Kimball	Comtee	David Low	Comtee
Thos Brown	For	Samll Dodge	For
William Fisk	Wenham	Jerimiah Perkins	Ipswich
Nathll Kimball Jr.			

Decr 16: 1757 At a meeting of the Select men Then Agreed with Mr Jona Kimball Jr To Keep School Three months & an half in the middle Part of the Town To Teach Reading writing & Arithmetick for the Consideration of Thirty Six Shillings & Eiight Pence Per month Commencing the nineteenth day of this Instant he finding his own Diet

Also At the Same Time Agreed with Mr Caleb Kimball To Keep School at the west End of our Town four months Commencing the 28 of Novr last For the Consideration of Thirty Two shillings Per month To Teach Reading writing & Arithmetick he Finding his own Diet.

Wenham march the Third Day 1758

At a meeting of the Select men of Sd Town Then Agreed with Mr John Annable To Keep the School in the East Part of the Town for the Term of Three months begining

from the 9th of January Past Att Two Pounds Per month

John Annable — Ebenr Waldron, Timo Patch, Benja Kimball, Samll Goodridge } Select men of Wenham

A True Entry Attest Samll Goodridge Town Clerk

At an Annual Town Meeting In Wenham March 7: 1758 Duely Conven.d as by Warrant on file may Appear Captn Nathll Brown was Chosen moderator The Following Persons was Chosen Totheir Respective offices (viz)

Jona Kimball, Samll Tarbox, Samll Goodridge, John Friend, Cap: Nathll Brown } Select Men

Samll Porter Jr — Town Treasurer

Edmond Kimball Jr — West Ward

Constables: William Davidson — East Ward

Samll Goodridge Town Clerk

Surveyors of Highways: Isaac Dodge west, Jona Porter middle, Amos Dodge East } Ward

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Votes & Acts of the Town & Select men of Wenham 1758

Edward Waldron, Thos Bronw, Daniel Gott } Fence viewers

Daniel Kilham Jr, Thos Kimball } Tything men

David Batchellor) Sealer of Wts & measures)

(Josiah Ober Sealer of Leather

Benja Edwards Jr, Bartholomew Dodge, Jonathan Perkins } Hog Rieves

William Cleaves, Joseph Haggit } Informers of Deer

John Rogers Corder of Wood

Also voted that the Swine Go at large the year Ensuing Yoked & Wringed As the Law Directs in this Town — The Before mentioned officers have Been Sworn as the Law Directs

To their Respective offices —
March 7: 1758 At A meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham then Jonathan Kimball Sam^{ll} Tarbox John Friend Cap: Nath^{ll} Brown & Sam^{ll} Goodridge Took the Assesors oath as the law Directs
Also at the Same Time the Selectmen agreed with Thos Senter To Perform the office of A Sexton for the year Ensuing For the Consideration of Forty shillings & To Dig Graves As Usual
And also with Jonathan Kimabll To Be Pound Keeper for the lawfull Fees.
At a meeting of the Inhabitants of this Town Duely Convened as By — warrant on file may Appear The Following Question was Put (viz) whether they would Send A Person To Represent them at the Great & General Court the year Ensuing & It Pased in the Negative By a Great Majority —
At a meeting of the Select men June 18 – 1758 Then Leased to Jonathan Porter the Burying Place in this Town for the year Currant For the Consideration of 5/4 the Said Porter Improving only with Horses or sheep —
Octr 3: 1758 at A Town meeting Duely Convened as By Warrant on may appear the Following votes were Passed (viz)
Mr Jonathan Porter moderator
Voted To Raise 120£– to Defrey the Charge of the Town the year Current
2nd It was Put To vote whether they would Choose A Constable To Serve in the Room of Edmond Kimball who is in the Army & It Passed in the Negative
At a meeting of the Select men of Wenham Oct 3: 1758 then Agreed with Eben^{r} Batcheller To Keep Ezekiel Day one year From the Date Hereof on Conditions Following (Viz.) The Town To Pay Doctors & Nurses in Case of Sickness in Case of Sickness & the Said Batchellor To have the labour of the Said Day During Said Term Finding meat Drink washing & Lodging Convenient & To make the cloaths of Sd Day as Good at the End of S^{d} Term as When he Receives him which cloaths are To be apprized at Reception & Delivery which is To be by

Appointment of S[d] Selectmen by Cap[tn] Nath[ll] Brown & Mr Sam[ll] Tarbox

Ebenezer Batchellor	Sam[ll] Tarbox	Select
	Sam[ll] Goodridge	men
	John Friend	of
	Nath[ll] Brown	Wenham

A True Entry Attest
Sam[ll] Goodridge T: Clerk
October 4: 1758

An Inventory of the clothing of Ezekiel Day & apprized by Nath[ll] Brown & Sam[ll] Tarbox

To Two new shirts 11/ Two old shirts 3/ one fine shirt 11/4	1[£]–5[s]–4[d]
old Jacket & Trowsers 3/ Best Coat 6/ Great Coat 4—	0–13–0
one old Fine shirt 2/6 Jacket & Breeches 7/	0– 9–6
one hat 2/ on D[o] 3/ old woolen Jacket 2/16	0– 7–6
New Coat & Breeches 2 of three Pair of Stockings 5/6 — —	1– 5–6
One Cap 1/6 Two handkerchiefs 2/ one Pair of Shoes 3/ — —	0– 6–6
Leather Apron 1/4 ——	– 1–4
	4– 8–8

Rec[d] by one Nath[ll] Brown
Ebenezer Batchellor Sam[ll] Tarbox } Apprizers

A true Entry Attest Sam[ll] Goodridge Towne Clerke —

At a meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham Jan[ry] 1: 1759 then Agreed with D[r] Tyler Porter To Keep School in the middle Part of the Town for the Space of three months Commencing From the Eighth Instant for the Consideration of thirty Two shillings Per month To Teach Reading Writing & Arithmetick he Finding his own Diet

Tyler Porter	Jon[a] Kimball	Selectmen
	Nath[ll] Brown	of
	Sam[ll] Goodridge	Wenham

A True Entry Attest Sam[ll] Goodridge
Town Clerk ——

At a meeting of the Selectmen Feb[ry] 19: 1759 then agreed with Stephen Dodge To Keep School For the Space of

Three months Commencing the Eighth Day of Janʳʸ Last Past To Teach Reading Writing & Arithmetick For the Consideration of Thirty Two Shillings Per month he Finding his own Diet —— Sᵈ School To be Kept in the East Part of the Town

At A meeting of the Select men March 1: 1759 then agreed with Mʳ Caleb Kimball To Keep School at the west End of the Town four months Commencing from the Eleventh Day of Novʳ last For ye Consideration of Thirty Two shilling Per month To Teach Reading Writing & Arithmetick he Finding his own Diet.

At an Annual Town Meeting of The Inhabitants of Wenham March 6: 1759 Duely Convened as by warrant may Appear Capᵗ Nathᴵˡ Brown was Chosen Moderator and the Following Persons were Chosen to the Respective offices Hereafter mentioned Viz

Capᵗ Nathᴵˡ Brown — Town Treasʳ

Samᴵˡ Tarbox, Samᴵˡ Goodridge, John Friend, Thoˢ Brown, Jonᵃ Kimball — Selectmen

Amos Batcheller — west ward

Benjᵃ Dodge — East ward

Jonᵃ Kimball — Town Clerk

Surveyors of Highways: Josiah Herrick — west; Samᴵˡ Porter Junʳ — middle; Benjᵃ Edwards Junr — East

Edmond Kimball Jr, Isaac Dodge, Jacob Dodge — Fence Viewers

William Davidson, Thoˢ Kimball, Nathᴵˡ Kimball Jr. — Hog Rieves

Amos Dodge, John Herrick — Tything men

Josiah Ober — Sealer of Leather

John Killam, Edmund Kimball Jr. — Informers of Deer

David Batcheller — Sealer of weights & measures

The Beforementioned Persons have Been Sworn to their Respective offices as the Law Directs
Voted also That the Swine go at Large in the Town the Ensuing year Being Yoked and Wringed as the Law Directs
Voted Likewise that The act of the Selectmen in Laying out the Highway at the East End of the Town from Beverly Line near Joseph Cornings to the House where Rice Knowlton Jr Lately Dwelt be Confirmed
Voted that Josiah Fairfield, Nath Bragg & Sam[ll] Porter Jr be a Com[tee] to view the Steeple on our meeting-house and make Report at the Next Town meeting what they Think Proper to be Done in order to Preferse Said House
At a meeting of The Selectmen of Wenham March 12–1759
Then agreed with Jon[a] Kimball to be Pound Keeper the Ensuing year For the Lawfull fees — — —
And with Tho[s] Senter to Do the Service of a Sexton During The Selectmens Pleasure and for the Time to have Pay in Proportion to Forty Shillings a year
Pursuant to a Request of a Com[tee] of The Town of Beverly — —
This is Entered Here Because it was ommitted in the Proper Place
At a meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham July 10–1758
Then Laid out a way in our Town from Beverly Line near Joseph Cornings to The Road near to the House where Rice Knowlton Jr Lately Dwelt in the Same Place where the Road is now And hath Long Been Used as a way two Poles in width for the Inhabitants of This Town to use as there may be occasion From Time to Time and at all Times & all other Persons as occasion may Serve.

⎧a True Entry Attest	Sam[ll] Goodridge	⎫Select
⎩Jon[a] Kimball T.Clerk	Jon[a] Kimball	⎪ men
	Nath[ll] Brown	⎧ of
	John Friend	⎩Wenham

At a meeting of The Selectmen of Wenham March 26–1759
Then Sam[ll] Tarbox Sam[ll] Goodridge John Friend Thomas

Brown & Jon[a] Kimball were Sworn Assessors as the Law Directs

At a meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham April 25 : 1759. Then agreed with M[r] Jon[a] Porter for the use of His House Commonly Known by the Name of Paytons and a Garden for the Term of one year commencing the first of May ext for the French to Reside in for the Consideration of Fourteen Shillings and Eight Pence and the Herbage of the Buring Place

Also at the above meeting agreed with M[r] William Davidson for the Back Part of his House where the Fire Place is and the Bed Room with a Priviledge in the cellar and Garden Room for Tho[s] Senter & Family to Reside in and Improve for the Space of one year Commencing the first Day of May next for The Consideration of one Pound Six Shillings and Eight Pence

William Davison — Sam[ll] Goodridge } of
A True Entry Attest — Jon[a] Kimball } Selectmen
Jon[a] Kimball Clerk — Thomas Brown } Wenham

May 23 1759 At a Town meeting of the Inhabitants of Wenham for the Choice of a Representative after Several Trials no Person was Elected at the abovesaid meeting M[r] Benj[a] Kimball was chosen Moderator and the Following Votes were Past. (Viz)

Voted to Receive the Report of the Com[tee] Chosen to view the Steeple of our meeting house which Report is as follows viz We The Subscribers Being a Com[tee] Chosen to View the Steeple of our meeting-house and to make a Report to the Town at this meeting are of the mind that the Steeple had Best be Pulled Down in order to Save the House Wenham May 23 1759

Josiah Fairfield }
Nath Bragg } Com[tee]
Sam[ll] Porter Jr }

And Then the Town made Choice of Messr Sam[ll] Goodridge Sam[ll] Tarbox Sam[ll] Porter Jr Nath Brown and Josiah Fairfield to be a Com[tee] to Take Down the Steeple of the meeting-house and Provide materials for and Close up the Breach that may be thereby made and Lay Their accounts before the Town

June 29 1759 At a Town meeting of The Inhabitants of Wenham Mr Samll Goodridge moderator it was Put to vote wether they would Reconsider their Late Vote to Pull Down the Steeple and it Past in the Affairmative
Octr 2 1759 At a Town meeting of The Inhabitants of Wenham Lawfully warned and Convened As by warrant on file may Appear Mr Josiah Fairfield was Chosen Moderator and the following votes were Past viz
first Voted That the Sum of ninety Pounds Lawfull money be Raised to Defray the necessary charges of the Town the year Currant
Secdly Voted to Pull Down The Steeple on the Meeting house and Close up That Part of the Roof where it Stood with all Convenient Speed
3 Voted that Messr Nathll Brown Jacob Dodge Josiah Fairfield Samll Goodridge and Samll Tarbox be a Comtee to manage the affair of Pulling Down the Steeple and Closeing up the Roof as above mentioned.
4 Voted That The Selectmen Give Mr Richard Dodge a Deed of that Land Formerly called — Jones's Acre which he Purchased of the Town.
5 Voted To Repair The Way at the East End of the Town Lately Laid out By The Selectmen from Beverly Line Near Joseph Cornings to the Road Leading to Manchester The Management of which To be Devolved on The Surveyors of Each Part of the Town — —
Oct 2 1759 At A meeting of The Selectmen of Wenham Then agreed with Mr Josiah Herrick to Keep Ezekiel Day for one year from the Date Hereof on Conditions Following (Viz) The Town to Pay Docters and Nurses in Case of Sickness and Six Dollars to Said Herrick and Said Herrick to have the Labour of Said Day During Said Term finding meat Drink washing & Lodging Convenient & to make the Cloaths of Said Day as Good at the Expiration of Sd Term as when he Receives Them – which Cloaths are to be apprized by messr Nathll Brown and Samll Tarbox.

Josiah Herrick

Samll Goodridge } Select
John Friend } men
Thomas Brown } of
Jona Kimball T Clerk Jona Kimball } Wenham

A True Entry Attest

Att a meeting of The Selectmen of Wenham Dec: 17: 1759
Then agreed with Dr Tyler Porter to Keep School in the middle Part of the Town for the Space of Three months and an half To Teach children & youth Reading Writeing & Arethmetic for which Service he is to have Thirty six Shillings Per month he Finding his own Diet — The School Commencing the Date abovesd

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Att a meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham January 25 1760
Then agreed with Mr Caleb Kimball to Keep a School at the East End of the Town for the Space of Three months and an half Commencing the 17 of Decr Last Past To Teach Reading Writeing & Arethmetic for which Service he is to have Thirty six Shillings he finding his own Diet

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Att a meeting of The Selectmen of Wenham February 11: 1760
Then agreed with Mr Caleb Clark to Keep School at the West End of the Town for the Space of Three months and an half Commencing the 10 Day of Decr Last Past To Teach children & youth Reading Writeing and Arethmetic for which Service he is to Receive Twenty five Shillings and Eight Pence Per month Exclusive of his Diet.
Att an Annual meeting of the Inhabitants of Wenham March ye 4: 1760 Duely warned and Convened as by warrant upon File may Appear Capt Nath^{ll} Brown being Chosen moderator
Several Persons Hereafter Named were Chosen to Serve in the Following Offices (Viz)

Josiah Ober, Willm Davison	Tything men	Richard Dodge, Josiah Herrick, Benj^{a} Fairfield, John Killam, Jon^{a} Kimball	Selectmen
Josiah Ober	Leath^{r} Sealer		
Amos Batcheller	Sealer of weig^{ts} & measurer		

Jon[a] Kimball Town Clerk
Cap[t] Nath[ll] Bronw Town Treas[r]

Edward Waldron, Will[m] Cleaves, John Herrick } Hogrevees

William Fish for west ward, Benj[a] Dodge for East ward } Constables

Thomas Fisk, Benj[a] Haggit } Informers of Deer

Churchill Knowlton, Nath[ll] Kimball Jun[r], John Friend } Surveyors of Highways

John Rogers Wood Corder

Eben[r] Waldron, John Rogers, Jon[a] Kimball } Fence Viewers

To which offices The abovementioned Persons have Been Respectively Sworn
Also Voted at the abovesd meeting That the Swine go at Large Being Yoked & Wringed as the Law Directs

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Att a meeting of The Selectmen of Wenham March 10: 1760 Then Richard Dodge Josiah Herrick Benj[a] Fairfield John Killam and Jon[a] Kimball Took the oath of Assessors for the year Ensuing At the Said meeting Also Agreed with Thomas Senter to Perform the Service of a Sexton During the Selectmens Pleasure at the Rate of forty Shillings per year — and with Jon[a] Kimball to Be Pound Keeper the year Ensuing for the Lawfull fees

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May 19 1760 Aa Town meeting of the Inhabitants of Wenham in order to make choice of a Representative after Divers Trials no Choice was obtained and att Said meeting Mr Josiah Herrick Being Chosen moderator the Following Persons were Chosen for a Com[tee] to Seat the meeting house (Viz) Mess[rs] Josiah Herrick Benj[a] Edwards Edmund Kimball Sam[ll] Goodridge & Isaac Dodge

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June 30 1760 Att a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Wenham Duly warned & Convened Cap[t] Nath[ll]

Brown Chosen moder^{r} the Town Voted to accept the List of Juriours Then Laid Before them By the Selectmen 1760 At a meeting of The Selectmen of Wenham May 20: 1760

Then Agreed with Dr. Tyler Porter for his house Called Paytons for The French to Reside in During Pleasure at the Rate of 1: 6: 8 Per year

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Wenham Sep^{t} 29: 1760 Duly warned and Convened Capt Nath^{ll} Brown being Chosen moderator Voted to Raise the Sum of £100 to Defray the Necessary of the Town the year Currant

At a meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham Sep^{t} 29: 1760 Then Agreed with Mr Richard Dodge to Keep Ezekiel Day for the Space of one year next Ensuing Said Dodge to have his Labor finding him Sufficient meat Drink washing and Lodging and to Receive five Dollars and an half from the Town and in Case of Sickness or Lamenss The Town to Pay for Doctors and Nurses and all Extraordinary Charges the Cloths of Said Day to be made as Good as when Said Dodge Receives him to be Apprised by Capt Brown and Lieu^{t} Tarbox. an apprisement of Ezekiel Days cloths from Mr Josiah Herrick to Mr Richard Dodge

an old Great Coat — — —	0: 3=
a Strait Bodied Coat — —	0: 4=
a Striped Jacket and Bretchess —	0: 6=
two new Shirts 10/and a new Striped Jacket & Breeches 12/ — —	1: 2=
two old Shirts 3/ one fine D^{o} 6/ a hat and Cap 3/	0:12=
four Pair of Stockings — —	0: 8=
a old Jacket woolen Breeches and Striped Jacket	0: 6=
one Pair of Shoes — —	0: 3=
	3: 4–0

October y^{e} 1 1760

Nath^{ll} Brown
Sam^{ll} Tarbox

The above agreement and Appraisement is Truly Entered
Attest Jon^{a} Kimball T Clerk

Att a meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham Decr 15: 1760

Then agreed with Mr Caleb Kimball To Keep a School in the middle Part of the Town in order to Teach Children Reading writeing and Arethmetic for the Space of four months Commencing the Eight Day of this Instant Decr for the Cosideration of Thirty Six Shillings Per month he finding his own Diet

Caleb Kimball

Richard Dodge, John Killam, Jon^a Kimball } Selectmen of Wenham

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We the Subsribers Being a Committee Appointed By the Towns of Manchester and Wenham to Preambulate on the Line and Renew the Bounds Between Said Towns have agreeable to orders Convened on ye 21 Day of April 1760 and Renewed the Bounds Beginning at the Pine tree mark d W: M & So on Said Line till we came to Dodges Stump Being a Bounds Between Ipswich Manchester and Wenham

Richard Dodge } for Wenham — Jonathan Herrick, Benj^a Kimball } for manchester

The Subsribers Being Respectively appointed by the Selectmen of Wenham and Beverly to Preambulate on the Line & Renew the Bounds Between Said Towns have accordingly met on the 21 Day of April 1760

Beginning at a white oak Tree Standing in the wall Between the Land of Isaac Dodge and the Heirs of Capt John Baker mark^d W B & D Thence South Easterly to a heap of Stones in Lieu^t Josiah Herricks orchard about Seven feet Eastwardly of a apple-Tree mark^d W: B Northwardly to a Stone Set in the ground mark d W W & B in Isaac Dodges field the heap of Stones in meachams Land not Being Renewed but Referd to be Determined by the Towns and from the white oak Tree marked W & B in Raymonds Pasture to a white Stone in or near the wall on the North Side of Alfords Hill marked W: B Thence to the Corner of a wall on the East Side of the Country Road Three feet and an half Southerly from an apple Tree Standing to the northward of Free Born Balches Barn markd W & B Thence to a Stake and Stones

in Peter Woodburys Land Three feet and an half northward of a Poplar Tree markd W& B thence to a heap of Stones on the wall on the Southerly Side of the Highway a few Rods to the Eastward of the Barn Belonging to the Heirs of Amos Dodge and one Rod Northwardly of an apple Tree markd W & B thence to a Stake and heap of Stones markd W & B near Larcums Corner thence to a Stake and heap of Stones on the East Side of Longham meadow thence to a Stake and heap of Stones on the East Side of Raccoon marsh So Called thence to a white oak Stump in Nath[ll] Dodges wall with Stones about it thence Turning Northerly to a white oak Tree on gravelly Ridge markd W & B with Stones about it thence more Easterly to a Stump in Pressons Corner three feet southwesterly of a walnut tree marked W & B thence to a Stake & heap of Stones and in a Strait Line from Said Pressons Corner to a Pine tree marked M W & B which is a Bound Between Manchester and Wenham in Confirmation whereof we have hereunto Set our names the Day of the Date above written

Benj[a] Jones — George Raymond } for
Livermore Whittridge — } Beverly

Josiah Herrick } for
Josiah Fairfield }
Jacob Dodge } Wenham
John Friend }

We The Subscribers Being Appointed by the Selectmen of Wenham to Preambulate on the Line and Renew Bounds Between the Towns of Wenham and Danvers have met this fifth Day of May 1760 and have Renewed the following (viz) Beginning at a white oak Tree marked W B & D Standing in the wall Between the Land of M[r] Isaac Dodge and the Heirs of Cap[t] John Baker Dec[d] thence Northwesterly to a Stake and Stones at the Corner of the wall Between Porter and Andrew at or near the head of Leaches meadow so called thence Runing to a Stake and Stones on the westerly Side of the Southerly of Wenham Causey So Called thence to a white oak

Stump with Stones about it one Rod and half Northward from Theophilus Fisks Barn

Isreal Andrew, Stephen Putman, Benjamin Putnam, Joseph Perkins } for Danvers
Josiah Herrick, Nath[ll] Brown, Isaac Dodge } for Wenham

We The Subscribers Being Appointed by the Selectmen of the Towns of Topsfield and Wenham To Preambulate on the Line and Renew the Bounds Between Sd Towns have met for that purpose o this fifth Day of May 1760 and Proceeded in the following manner (viz) Beginning at the Stump and Stones northward of Theopilus Fisks Barn the north East corner of Danvers from thence to a Stake and Stones on the west Side of the Road Leading to Bunkers meadow from thence to a heap of Stones by the Brook at the End of a wall from thence to a heap of Stones on the west Side of Robnisons Island from thence to a heap of Stones by the South East Corner of Pigdons medow & from thence to the River

Richard Town, Elijah Porter } for Topsfield
Tho[s] Tarbox, Benj[a] Fairfield } for Wenham

At An Annual Meeting of The Inhabitants of the Town of Wenham Regularly warned and Convened on the 3 Day of March 1761 M[r] Benj[a] Kimball Being Chosen moderator The Town made Choice of the Persons Hereafter named To Serve as Town officers the year Ensuing (Viz mess[r]

Josiah Herrick, Benj[a] Edwards, Jacob Dodge } Fence viewers
John Friend, Tim[a] Patch, Isaac Dodge, Benj[a] Dodge, Cap[t] Brown } Selectmen

Josiah Ober } Leath Sealer

Amos Batcheller } Sealer of weights & measures

Jon[a] Kimball Town Cler

Benj[a] Kimball Town Treasr

Amos Dodge, Daniel Killam Jr, Isreal Dodge } Hog Reves
Tho[s] Kimball, William Cleaves } Con[bles]

Nath[ll] Kimball Jr } Informers
William Davison. } of Deer

John Rogers } Tything
Benj[a] Edwards Jr } men

Sam[ll] Porter Jr } Wardens
Benj[a] Kimball }

Benj[a] Fairfield } Surveyors
Skipper Dodge } of
Jon[a] Kimball } Highways

John Rogers wood Corder
To which offices they were Respectivly Sworn At The above meeting it was Voted that the Swine go at Large under the Restrictions of the Law in that Case made and Provided
At a meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham March 9 1761 Mess[r] John Friend Tim[a] Patch Isaac Dodge Benj[a] Dodge & Cap[t] Brown Took the oath of Assessors and also at Said meeting the Selectmen agreed with Tho[s] Senter to Perform the Service of a Sexton The year Ensuing for the Consideration of Forty Shillings a year and make Provision for The Support of his mother for the Consideration of £3:6:8 Per year according to the Time he Provides

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May 21 1761 At a meeting of The Inhabitants of The Town of Wenham Regularly warned & Convened in order to Chuse a Representative after Several Trials made there was no Person Elected — after which Cap[t] Brown was Chosen moderator and the Town voted to accept of the List for Juriours That was Then Laid before them and also Appointed the Selectmen a Com[tee] To Dispose of the names according to their Discretion.

August 31 1761 At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Wenham Regularly warned and Convened M[r] Benj[a] Kimball Being Chosen moderator it was Voted to Raise the Sum of one Hundred Pounds Lawfull money to Defray the necessary Charges of the Town the year Currant — The meeting then was adjourned to the 28 Day of Sept following at four o clock afternoon in order To Take under Consideration the Petition which the Rev[d] M[r] Swain Presented to Town for an addition to his Salery — and it was voted to make and addition To

Mr Swains Salery for the Present year But upon Consideration it was thot Proper to Reconsider the vote and Dismiss the Petition which was Done accordingly

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At a meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham Sep^{t} 28: 1761 Then agreed with Mr Jacob Dodge To Keep Ezekiel Day for the Space of one year next Ensuing for the Consideration of Thirteen Dollars the Said Dodge To Have the Labour of Said Day and to find him Sufficient meat Drink washing and Lodging During Said Term and also to make his Apparel as Good as when he Receives him and in Case of Said Days Sickness or Disability for Labour the Town to Pay for Doctors and nurses and all Extaordinary Charge the apparel to Be appriesed by Capt Brown & Dea Tarbox

Jacob Dodge — Tim^{o} Patch, Nath^{ll} Brown, John Friend } Selectmen of Wenham

A True Entrey Attest Jon^{a} Kimball Town Cler—

Decr 15: 1761 At a meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham a warrant was Issued By their order To assemble the Inhabitants of the Town on the 28 Day of said month To Se if they would agree to Build a Steeple to the meeting-house and Being met on the Day abovesd Mr Benj^{a} Kimball was Chosen mod^{r} and it Being Put to Vote Whether The Town would Erect a Steeple to the meeting-house in Some Proper Time the Ensuing year it Passd in the Negative

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At a meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham Decr 14: 1761 Then Agreed with Mr Caleb Kimball to Keep a School in the middle Part of the Town in order To Teach Children and youth Reading Writeing and Arethmetic for Three months Commencing the 21 Day of Decr Currant for the Consideration of Forty Shillings Per month he finding his own

Caleb Kimball — John Friend, Nath^{ll} Brown, Isaac Dodge } Selectmen of Wenham

At a meeting of The Selectmen of Wenham Febr 15: 1762 Then Agreed with Dr Joseph Bradstreet To Keep a School in the West Part of the Town for the Space of Three months Commencing the 21 Day of Decr 1761 in order to Teach Children and youth Reading Writeing and Arethmetic for the Consideration of one Pound Six Shillings and Eight Pence Per month Exclusive of his Diet Jos Bradstreet

John Friend, Timo Patch, Isaac Dodge } Selectmen of Wenham

The Following Return of Preambulation Between Ipswich and Wenham in the year 1760 is here Recorded Because omitted in the Proper Place by Reason of its Being mislaid

We The Subsribers Being Appointed a Committee by the Selectmen of Ipswich and Wenham met This 31 Day of December A. D: 1760 and Preambulated the Line Between the Towns and Renewed the Bounds.

John Killam, Josiah Batcheller, Jacob Dodge } Comtee for Wenham

John Patch Junr, Michael Farley } Comtee For Ipswich

March 2 1762 At an Annual Town meeting of The Inhabitants of Wenham Regularly warned and Convened on the 2 Day of March A: D 1762 in order To make Choice of Town officers for the year Ensuing and Josiah Fairfield Esqr Being Chosen moderator the Persons hereafter named were Chosen into the following offices

(Viz) Churchill Knowlton, Dea Samll Tarbox, John Dodge } Fenceviewers

Benja Fairfield, Edward Waldron, Jona Kimball } Selectmen

John Rogers, Jona Perkins } Tythingmen

Jona Kimball } Town Cler

Josiah Ober Leather Sealer

Amos Batcheller Sealer weights measr

Capt Nath^{ll} Brown Town Treaser
Thomas Kimball } Con^{bles}
Stephen Dodge }

Eben^{r} Kimball } Hog middle }
John Herrick } Reves west } ward
Jacob Dodge } East }

Daniel Killam } Surveyors
Josiah Fairfield Esqr } of
Richard Dodge } Highways

Bartholomew Dodge } Deer Revees
John Killam }

Capt Nath^{ll} Brown } Wardens
John Dodge }

At the Above meeting it was Voted that the Swine go at Large under the Restrictions of the Law in that Case made &C.

March 15: 1762 At a meeting of the Inhabitants of Wenham Warned and Convened according to Law Capt Brown Being Chosen moderator the Town made Choice of Thomas Brown for their Treas^{r} the year Ensuing in the Room of Capt Brown who Refused Serving

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May 10 1762 At a meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham Then agreed with Mr Benj^{a} Kimball To be Pound Keeper for the year Ensuing for the Lawfull fees And also at Said meeting it was Proposed and agreed to That Dr Tyler Porter Should have the Herbage of the Burial Ground This Resent year for the Consideration of five Shillings and four Pence. Tyler Porter

Benj^{a} Fairfield } Select
Edward Waldron } men of
ye 20 At a meeting Regularly Convened } Wenham
Capt Nath^{ll} Brown was Chosen Represantative for the year Currant

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July 16 1762 At a meeting of The Selectmen of Wenham — Then agreed with Benj^{a} Edwards Junr To Keep Elisa Severy for the Space of one year next Ensuing this Date During which Time the Said Benj^{a} is To find the

Said Eliza a Suitable meat Drink Washing and Lodging and in Case of Said Elizabeths Sickness to find her Docters and Nursing at the Towns charge and at the years End Return her with as Good Cloaths as She has now for which Service S^{d} Benj^{a} is to Receive of the Town forty Shillings

Benj^{a} Edwards Junr — Jon^{a} Kimball, Edward Waldron } Selectmen

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Sep^{t} 27 1762 At a Town meeting of the Inhabitants of Wenham Regularly warned and Convened Mr Benj^{a} Fairfield Being Chosen moderator it was Voted

1 To Raise the Sum of one Hundred and Twenty Pounds To Defray the necessary charges of the Town the year Currant

2 Voted to accept of a List of Juriours Then Presented To Them and that The Selectmen Separate Them according To Their Discretion

At a meeting of The Selectmen of Wenham Sept 27: 1762

Then agreed with Mr Benj^{a} Edwards To Keep Ezekiel Day for the Space of one year next Ensuring for the Consideration of Fourteen Dollars the Said Edwards To Have the Labour of Said Day and to find him Sufficient Meat Drink washing and Lodging During Said Term and also to make his apparel as good as when he Receives him and in case of Said Sickness or Disability for Labour The Town To Pay for Doctors nursing and all Extraordinary Charges The apparel To be apprised by Lieu^{t} Jacob Dodge and Mr Benj^{a} Dodge

Benj^{a} Edwards — Benj^{a} Fairfield, Edward Waldron } Selectmen of Wenham

The above agreement is Truly Entered attest

Jon^{a} Kimball Town Clerk

At a meeting of The Selectmen of Wenham December 13: 1762 Then agreed with Mr Caleb Kimball To Keep a School at the west End of the Town To Teach Children and youth Reading wrighting and Arithmetic for the

Space of Three months Commencing ye 15 Day Novr Last for the Consideration of Forty Shillings per month he finding his own Diet

Caleb Kimball } Selectmen
Jon^a^ Kimball } of
Edward Waldron } Wenham

At a meeting of The Selectmen of Wenham Feb^r^ 15; 1763 — Then agreed with Mr Joshua Orne To Keep A School in the East Part of the Town for the Space of Three months Commencing the 13 of Decr Last Part for the Consideration of Forty Shillings per month he finding his own Diet in order To Teach Children and youth Reading Wrighting & arithmetic

Joshua Orne } Selectmen
Jon^a^ Kimball } of
Edward Waldron } Wenham

March 1: 1763 The Inhabitants of the Town of Wenham Regularly Warned to meet in order To make Choice of Town officers for the year Ensuing Assembled Accordingly at which Time There Having arose a Dispute with Regard to The Qualifications of Voters it was Tho^t^ Proper To Adjourn Said Meeting To the Next morning at Nine O'Clock To which Time it accordingly was adjourned

March 2: 1763

The Inhabitants of the Town of Wenham Being Assembled upon the adjournment Made Choice of Nath^ll^ Brown Esqr for Their Moderator and of the Persons Hereafter Named for Town officers for the year Ensuing (viz)

Willm Fisk, Pelatiah Brown, Richd Dodge Junr, Benj^a^ Fairfield, Benj^a^ Kimball, Sam^ll^ Tarbox, Edward Waldron, Jon^a^ Kimball — Hogg Revees — Selectmen

Jacob Dodge, Daniel Killam Jr — Wardens
Nath^ll^ Kimball Junr — Deer Reeves
Willm Cleaves — Fence Viewers
Sam^ll^ Porter J^r^, Isaac Dodge, Tim^o^ Patch

Jon^a^ Kimball Town Cler.

Amos Batcheller Culler
of Staves Shingles &c
John Rogers ⎫Tything
Josiah Ober ⎭ men
Josiah Ober Leath Sealer
John Friend ⎫Field
Nath[ll] Kimball J[r] ⎭Drivers
Benj[a] Fairfield ⎫Surveyors
Daniel Killam ⎬ of
Richard Dodge ⎭Highways.

Thomas Brown T Treas[r]
Josiah Herrick J[r] ⎫Con[bles]
Stephen Dodge ⎭
Amos Batcheller . Sealer
of weights & meas[rs]

March 21 : 1763 At a Town meeting of The Inhabitants of Wenham Regularly Warned and Convened Nath[ll] Brown Esq[r] Being Chosen moderator it was Voted as follows

1 That Nath[ll] Brown Esq[r] appear at the Next Court of General Sessions of The Peace To be Holden at Ipswich To make ansuer to a Presentment of a Certain Piece of Highway at the East End of the Town

2 Voted that the Swine go at Large Being yoked and wringed as the Law in That Case Directs

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At a meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham March 21 : 1763 Then agreed with M[r] Benj[a] Kimball To be Pound Keeper the year Ensuing for the Lawfull fees and also agreed at said meeting with Thos Senter To Perform the Service of a Sexton the year Ensuing for Such a Consideration as Shall be Thought Reasonable

The Subsribers Being Respectively appointed by the Selectmen of Wenham & Beverly To Preambulate on the Line & Renew the Bounds Between Sd Towns Have Accordingly met on the 9 Day of May 1763 Beginning at the white oak Tree Standing in the Wall Between the land of Ebenezer Porter and the Heirs of Cap[t] John Baker mark[d] W B & D Thence Southeasterly To a heap of stones in Lieu[t] Josiah Herricks orchard about seven feet Eastwardly of an Apple tree mark[d] W & B Thence North-Eastwardly to a Stone Set in the Ground markd W W & B in Ebenezer Porters field the heap of Stones in Meachams Land not Being Renewed but Refer'd To be Determined by the Towns and from the white oak Tree markd

W & B in Raymonds Pasture to a white Stone in or near the Stone wall on the North Side of Alfords hill markd W & B thence to the Corner of a wall on the East Side of the Country Road three feet & a half Southerly from an Apple Tree Standing To the Northward of Freeborn Balches Barn marked W & B Thence to a Stake and Stones in Peter Woodburys Land Three feet and a half Northward of a Poplar Tree markd W & B Thence to a heap of Stones on the wall on the Southwardly Side of the Highway a few Rods to the Eastward of the Barn Belonging to the Heirs of Amos Dodge and one Rod Northwardly of an Apple Tree markd W & B thence to a Stake and heap of Stones near Larcums Corner So Called marked W & B Thence To a heap of Stones on the East Side of Longham meadow thence to a Stake and heap of Stones on the East Side of Racoon Marsh So Called Thence To a white oak Stump late a Tree in Nath[ll] Dodges wall markd W & B Thence Turning NorthEastwardly To a white oak Tree on Gravelly Ridge markd W & B with Stones about it Thence more Eastwardly To a Stump in Pressons Corner three feet Southwestward of a wallnut Tree markd W & B Thence to a Stake and heap of Stones in a Strait Line from Sd Pressons Corner To a Pine Tree markd W & B which is a Bound Between Manchester and Wenham in Confirmation whereof we have hereunto set our Names the Day of the Date above written

Benj[a] Jones, Ebenezer Trask, Jonah Dodge, Rober Meacham, Mark Dodge J[r] } for Beverly

Josiah Fairfield, Jacob Dodge, Edw[d] Waldron } for Wenham

We The Subscribers Being Appointed by the Selectmen of Wenham & Topsfield To Preambulate on the Line and Renew the Bounds Between Said Towns have met for That Purpose on this fifth Day of May 1763 and Proceeded in the Following manner (viz) Begining at the Stump and Stones Northward of Theophilus Fisks Barn the North East Corner of Danverse from thence to a Stake and Stones on the West Side of the Road Leading To Bunkers meadow from thence to a heap of Stones by

the Brook at the End of a wall from Thence to a heap of Stones on the West Side of Robertsons Island from thence to a heap of Stones by the South East Corner of Pigdons meadow and from thence to the River

Matthew Peabody	for	Sam[ll] Tarbox	for
John Balch	Topsfield	Tyler Porter	Wenham
Zaccheus Gould			

1763 We The Subscribers Being Lawfully Authorized have met This Fifth Day of May 1763 and Preambulated and Reviewed the Bounds Between Danvers and Wenham Beginning at the White oak Tree marked D W & B Standing in the wall Between Land of Isaac Dodge and the Heirs of John Baker Thence Northwesterly To a Stake and Stones at or Near the head of Leaches meadow at the Easterly End of the Divisional Wall Between Porters & Andrews Land Thence To a Stake and Stones Standing on the Westerly Side of the East End of Wenham Causey which is the Divisonal Bounds Between Wenham and Porters farm. Thence to a White oak Stump with Stones about it Standing about one Rod and half North from Theophilus Fisks Barn

Isreal Andrews	For	Josiah Fairfield	For
John Andrews	Danvers	Benj[a] Fairfield	Wenham
Joseph Perkins			

We The Subscribers Being a Commitee Appointed by the Selectmen of Ipswich and Wenham Met This 23 Day of Feb[r]uary A.D. 1764 and Preambulated the Line Between Ipswich and Wenham and Renewed the Bounds

Josiah Batcheller	for	John Hubbard	for
John Killam	Wenham	John Patch J[r]	Ipswich
		Nathaniel Potter	

May 18 1763 At a Town Meeting of the Inhabitants of Wenham Regularly warned & convened in order To make Choice of a Represantative after Divers Trials no Choice could be obtained

Sep[r] 26 1763 At a Town Meeting of the Inhabitants of Wenham Regularly Warn'd & Conven'd Nath[ll] Brown Esq[r] Being Chosen moderator it was Voted as follows (viz) That the List of Juriours Then Laid Before the Town by the Selectmen be accepted and the Selectmen be a Com[tee] to Dispose of the Names into Each Box accord-

ing to Their Discretion Then The Said meeting was adjourned to the 30 Day of Said month at four aClock afternoon — at which Time the Town Being met upon Adjournment by Reason of the absence of the Former moderator the Town made Choice of Mr John Friend to officate In his Stead and then Voted as follows (viz) That the Sum of one Hundred and forty Pounds be Raised to Defray the Necessary Charges of the Town the Ensuing year

Octr 17 1763 At a Town Meeting of The Inhabitants of Wenham Regularly Warn'd & Convened Nath^{ll} Brown Being Chosen Moderator it was voted as follows (viz) That the Sum of Ten Pounds be allowed out of the Town Treasury To the Revd Mr Joseph Swain for his more Comfortable Support the year Ensuing

Sep^{t} 30 1763 At A Meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham Sep^{t} 30: 1763 Then agreed with Lieu^{t} Josiah Herrick to Keep Ezekiel Day one of the Poor of the Town for the Space of one year next Ensuing the Said Herrick to have Said Days Labour finding him Sufficient Meat Drink washing and Lodging During Said Term and to Return his Apparel as Good as when He Receives him for which Said Herrick is to Receive of the Town the Sum of Twenty five Dollars and in case of Said Days Sickness Lameness or Disability for Labour the Town to Pay Doctors Nurses and all Extraordinary Charges the Said Days Apparel to be apprised by Nath^{ll} Brown Esqr and Mr John Friend

Josiah Herrick

Edward Waldron
Benj^{a} Kimball
Jon^{a} Kimball
} Selectmen of Wenham

An Inventory of the Clothing of Ezekiel Day (viz)

one great Coat 5/4 2 Shirts 13/4——	0–18–8
one fine shirt 6/8 two old Shirts 6/ ——	0–12–8
Three Jackets 6/8 two Pair of Bretches 9/ —	0–15–8
Two old Coats 4/ two Handkerchiefs 2/ ——	0– 6–0
4 pair of hose 9/ one Pair of Pumps and Shoes 4/——	0–15–0
one hatt 2/ one apron 1/2 one cap 1/4 ——	0– 4–6

The above clothing was apprised by us the Subscribers November 7th 1763

Nathll Brown
John Friend

Jan 16 1764 At a meeting of the Selectmen agreed with Mr Willm Hasletine To Keep School at the West End of the Town in order to Teach children & youth Reading writing and Arethmetic for the Space of Three months Commencing the 28 Day of Novr Last for the Consideration of Forty Shillings Per month Exclusive of his Diet

Wm Haseltine — Samll Tarbox, Edward Waldron, Jona Kimball } Selectmen of Wenham

At a meeting of the Selectmen February ye 20: 1764 Then agreed with Mr John Hart To Keep School at the East End of the Town for the Term of Three months at the Rate of one Pound Six Shillings and Eight Pence Per month Exclusive of his Board

John Hart — Jona Kimball, Benja Fairfield, Edward Waldron } Selectmen of Wenham

at a meeting of the Inhabitants of Wenham May ye 23: 1764 in order to make Choice of a neat person to Represent them at the great and general Court this present year allso to Se if ye Town Would Build a House for their poor to Reside in as by warrant on file may appear the Town — haveing assembled on Sd Day procedded to the Choice of a Representative and after makeing Several trials it was put to Vote to Se if they would make a nother trial and it past in the afirmative but no trial was made and after Som Debate Respecting another trial it was put to Vote to See if the meeting Should be ajourned and it pased in the Negative then it Was put to Vote to See if the meeting Should be Dissolved and it pased in the Negative after which the Select men Disolved the meeting and So nothing was Done Respecting the articles in Sd Warrant

March 6th 1764 At an Annual Town meeting of the Inhabitants of Wenham Regularly Warned and Convend

Josiah Fairfield Esq[r] moderator The Persons here after named were Chosen to the Respective offices annexed to their Names (Viz)

Mr Benj[a] Fairfield was chosen Selectman but he refused

Timothy Patch, Josiah Ober — Wardens

Stephen Dodge, Nathaniel Kimball — Tything men

John Killiam, Tho[s] Kimball — Hog Reves

Josiah Ober — Sealer of leather

Amos Batcheller — Sealer of weights and measuers

William Davison — Deer Reve

Edward Waldron, John Friend, Thos: Brown — Selectmen of Wenham

Thos Brown — Town clerk

Nath[ll] Brown Esq[r] — Town Treasurer

Josiah Herrick J[r], Richard Dodge Jr — Constables

John Killiam, Samuel Porter Jr, William Fisk — Surveyers of Highways

John Dodge Jr — Fence Viewars

Paltiah Brown, Amos Dodge — Fence Viewars

To which offices they were Respectively Sworn and at the Same time took the money oath

At the above meeting it was Voted that the Swine go at large Being yoked and wringed as the law in that Case hath provided — — —

At a meeting of the Select men of Wenham March the 12: 1764 then agreed with Thos Senter to keep his mother the year to Come for the Sum of Eight pounds and in Case of his Sd mothers Sickness he is to be alowed for

Doctors and Nursing and all Extraordinary charge : and all so att the above Sd meeting then agreed with the above sd Thos Senter to Perform the Service of a Sexton the year Ensuing for the Consideration of the Sum of Two pounds

August 13th 1764 At a Town meeting of the Inhabitants of Wenham Regularly Warned and Convened Nathaniel Brown Esqr being Chosen moderator it was Voted to Raise the Sum of one hundred and Ninty pounds to Defray the Neessary charges of the Town the year Currant — — —

Att a meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham August 13 : 1764 then agreed with Capt. Thomas Tarbox to Keep Elisabeth Severy the Space of one year Next to Come for the Consideration of five Dollars and the Sd Tarbox to find the Sd Elisabeth With Sutiable meat Drink washing and lodgeing and to make her Clothing as good at the years End as they weir when he Received her and in Case of Sikness the Town to pay for Docters and Nursing and all Extraordinary charge

Thomas Tarbox	John Friend Edward Waldron Thos Brown	Selectmen of Wenham

At a meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham May 23 : 1764 then agreed with the Widow Elisabeth Kimball for the lower Room in the back part of her House for the french to Reside in for the Space of one year Commenceing the twenty Seventh Day of March 1764 With the Privilidge of a garden Spot During sd term for the Consideration of twenty four Shillings

Elisabeth Kimball	John Friend Edward Waldron Thos Brown	Selectmen of Wenham

At a meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham Octr 2 : 1764 then Agreed with Mr Samuel Quarts to Keep Ezekiel Day for the Space of one year Next to Come for the Consideration of the Sum of twenty five Dollars and the Sd Quarts is to find the Sd Day with Sutiable meate Drink Washing and lodging and in Case of Sickness the Town

to pay for Docters and Nursing and all Extraordinary Charge and the Sd Quarts is to make the Sd Days cloths as good at the years End as they are When he Receives him the Sd Days Appariel to be Appr^{d} By Nath^{ll} Brown Esqr and Dea^{n} Jon^{a} Kimball

Samuel Quarts — John Friend, Edward Waldron, Thos Brown } Selectmen of Wenham

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Wenham Regularly —— Assembled on the thirteenth Day of Decr 1764

Mr Benjn Kimball Chosen moderator the following Votes were passed Namely

1st that the List presented by the Selectmen be accepted as good and Lawfull Juriors

2ly: Voted that Nathaniel Brown Esqr Deacon Jon^{a} Kimball and Mr Benjn Fairfield be a Committee to Separate Sd List into the Respective Boxes

3^{dy} Voted to Build a Steeple to the meeting House in Sd Wenham the Ensuing Summer

4^{ly} Voted that Nathaniel Brown Esqr Mr Benjamin Kimball Jr Benjamin Fairfield Dea^{n} Samuel Tarbox and Mr Jacob Dodge be a Committee in a order to provide Stuff or materials for the Sd Building

5^{ly} Voted they be Directed to Procure the Same as soon as Conveniently it may be don

At a meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham Decr 3: 1764 then agreed with Mr Caleb Kimball to Keep School for the Space of three months at the West End of the Town At the Rate of forty Eight Shillings per month he to board himselfe Sd Term to Commence the fifth Day of November last

Caleb Kimball — John Friend, Edward Waldron } Selectmen of Wenham

at a meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham Feb^{r} 20: 1765 then agreed with Capt Benjamin Kimball to Keep School in the middle part of the Town the Space of four months Commencing the fifth Day of December last the

Consideration of the Sum of four pounds pr. month he bording himselfe

Benjamin Kimball — Edward Waldron, Thos Brown } Selectmen of Wenham

The above School the Set up for four months was kept but three months: by Reason of Some uneasiness y^{t} arose in the Other Districts To Solve which y^{ee} 4th month was Droppt by agreement

At a meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham Feb^{r} 20: 1765 then agreed with Mr Joshua Orn to Keep a School three months at the East End of the Town for the Sum of Six pounds thirteen Shillings and four pence as a Consideration therefor he Boarding him Selfe During Sd Term which Commenced the Eighteenth Day of Decr last

Joshua Orn — John Friend, Edward Waldron, Thos Brown } Selectmen of Wenham

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Att an Annual Town meeting of the inhabitants of Wenham Regularly Assembled March y^{ee} Fifth 1765 As by warrant on file may fully Appear : the following Votes were Passed (viz)

Josiah Fairfield Esqr Chosen moderator ——

Benjamin Fairfield, Samuel Tarbox, Edward Waldron } Selectmen

Edward Waldron Town Clerk

Upon Deacon Fairfields Refusal thereof

Josiah Fairfield Esq) Town Treasurer

Josiah Herrick Junr, Peter Dodge — } Constables

John Dodge Junr, Caleb Kimball } Tythingmen

Bartholemew Dodge, John Friend Junr } Wardens

Samuel Tarbox, Amos Batcheller, Richard Dodge Junr } Surveyors of Highways

Peletiah Brown } Fence
Jacob Dodge } Viewers
John Friend }
Nathaniel Fairfield Junr }
John Dodge Junr } Hog
Cornelius Baker } Reves
John Friend } Field
Nathaniel Kimball Junr } Drivers
Benjamin Haggit } Deer
Ebenezer Porter } Reves
Amos Batcheller Surveyor of Staves
Josiah Ober Sealer of Leather
all the above named Officers were Sworn before a Justice the day Above Sd Except Porter & Baker

Att the above meeting the Committee who were Chosen to provide Stuff or materials for Building A Steeple to the meeting House in Wenham Verbally Reported that they have Provided a Sufficiency of Stuff for Sd building. Whereupon the Town Agreeable to the above mentioned warrant voted y^{t} the Report of Sd Committee be accepted Likewise voted to go on with Sd building the Ensuing Summer According to their former vote in December Last.

Lastly voted that the Same Committee are appointed to build the above Sd Steeple According to the Plan which they have Drafted (Viz) Twelve feet Square, and of Proportionable Height to Sd meeting House: And that the Said Committee be impowered and directed To take Effectual Care that the Business of Said building is begun Carried on, and Perfected in the most Consistent manner with the Benefit of the Town.

At a meeting of the Selectmen March yee March 11th 1765 Then Agreed with Thomas Senter to Keep his mother the year Ensueing for the Sum of Eight Pounds: Exclusive of Doctrg and Nursing. And Likewise agreed with him To Perform the duty of Sexton in this Town

the year Ensuing for the Sum of two pounds — — —

his
Thomas × Senter
mark

Benj Fairfield } Selectmen
Sam[ll] Tarbox } of
Edw[d] Waldron } Wenham

At a meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham January y[ee] Seventh 1765 — Then agreed with Sam[ll] Quartee to Keep Mary Harriss, and her child for the Space of One year next to Come : for yee Consideration of twelve Dollars, and the Sd Quarts is to find the Sd Mary and her child, with Suitable meat, drink, clothing and Lodging, And to make her Cloaths as good at the years end, as they are— When he Receives her, And in Case of Sickness the Town to pay for Docter, and Nursing, and All Extraordinary Charge.

Samuel Quarlee

John Friend } Selectmen
Edward Waldron } of
Tho[s] Brown } Wenham

A true Entry of the Original att Edw[d] Waldron
Town clerk — —

At a meeting of the Selectmen may y[ee] 8th : 1765 Then Agreed With M[r] Benjamin Kimball to be Pound Keeper The year Currant from y[ee] lawfull fees — — —

Per order y[ee] Partees Edward Waldron
Town Clerk

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of Wenham duly Conven[d] on May y[ee] 23 : 1765 (as per warrant on file may fully Appear) for Choice of Representative and Other Business After Several Trials were mad and no Choice Obtain[d] the Town Thought proper to desist and Proceed to y[ee] Other Business of the meeting — — —

Voted yt Deacon Jonathan Kimball be moderator to Finish y[ee] Remaining Business of the Present meeting — —

2ly Voted that in Order to Raise money to Defray the Charge of building the Steeple, that two of the hind Seats Upon Each Side of ye Great Alley in the body of the meeting House, on ye Lower floor, be Sold to any persons who incline to Purchase the Same for building Pews in their place — — —

3ly Voted to make Sale of the back Pew in the front of

Sd Meeting House and the Seat adjoining in the Gallery for yee use, and to the End above mentioned — — —
4ly Voted to make Sale of that part of the back pew in the West End of Sd meeting house and yee Seat adjoining, from the Steeple (when Erected) to y^ee^ Negros Seats, and including them, home to y^ee^ front wall, in the Gallery: in the manner as above Said
5ly Voted yt Nath^ll^ Brown Esqr Mr Benjamin Fairfield Mr Benjamin Kimball, Deacon Samuel Tarbox, and Lieut Jacob Dodge, be a Committee to make the Above Said Sale Collect y^ee^ money of the Purchasers and render an account therof to y^ee^ Town
6ly Voted yt the Pews which shall be Built by any Purchaser on yee Lower floor in Sd meeting House, Shall be Exactly Parrallel with Adjoining Pews, allready built
7ly And lastly voted that the Steeple Committee be impowered to Provide a Vane to Put upon the Top of Sd Steeple, According to Their Discretion — — —

Then M^r^ moderator Declared Said meeting to be dissolved, and it was Dissolved accordingly

At a Town meeting of the Inhabitants of Wenham Regularly Assembled on the Third day of July 1765 As pr Warrant on file may appear, and continued by adjournment to Monday August the fifth following Mr Benjamin Kimball Being Chosen — —
1^t^ Voted that the List layed before the Town of Juriors by the Selectment of the present meeting be not Accepted as it now Stands
2^ly^ Voted that the Selectmen be desired to list the Six following Persons named (to wit) James Dodge, Israel Dodge, Nath^ll^ Fairfield Ju^r^ Isaac Kimball, John Friend Junr & Cornelius Baker, which upon the moderators desired in the name of the Town was A accordingly done.
3^ly^ Voted that the Said List with Said addition be Accepted — — —
4^ly^ Nominated and voted the following persons being the one Quarter part of Said List: To have their names wrote on Separate picees of paper and put into a Box for the Superior Court (to wit) Benjamin Kimball, Jona-

than Kimball, John Friend, Josiah Herrick, Benjamin Fairfield, Samuel Tarbox, Nath^{ll} Kimball, Jacob Dodge, Samuel Porter Junr Thomas Brown, John Dodge, Ebenezer Porter, Peter Dodge, Benjamin Dodge and Tyler Porter which was done by the Clerk presence of the S^{d} meeting

5^{ly} Voted that the Other and Remaining three Quarter of Said list be in manner above Said deposited in ANother Box for the inferior Court which was likewise done accordingly

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6^{ly} Voted that Nathaniel Brown Esqr and Lieut Josiah Herrick Jn^{r} Benjamin Fairfield be a Committee, to make Enquirey, and Report to y^{ee} Town at y^{ee} adjournment what lands belonging to Said Town, may be Sold without Detriment

7ly Voted that this meeting be adjourn'd to Monday y^{ee} fifth day of August next Then M^{r} moderator declared it to be ye Town's pleasure to adjourn said meeting & that it is adjourn'd to S^{d} fifth day of August at 4 oClock afternoon accordingly

August 5th the Town being Regularly assembled upon adjournment M^{r} moderator declared it to be his pleasure to Adjourn Said meeting from the meeting house to the House of Dr Tyler Porter and that Said meeting is adjourn'd to Said Porters there to be instanly Held. The Town being immediately assembled at S^{d} Porters upon the above s^{d} adjournment. The above mentioned Committee verbally Reported as followeth (viz) that they find the Lands mentioned in y^{ee} warrent for Calling their meeting, and also in Sundry Other places, land Proper to be Sold; for the Town's use, According as mentioned in Said warrent

1^{t} The Town voted y^{t} y^{ee} Report of Said Committee be Accepted. And then

2^{ly} Voted that there be a Committee Chosen to make Sale of Said lands

3^{ly} Voted that Nath^{ll} Brown Esg^{r} Mr Benjamin Fairfield and Lieut Josiah Herrick be a Committee for the purpose abovesaid and make Report at the next Town

meeting. Then Mr Moderator Declared Said Meeting to be dissolved, and Said meeting was Dissolved Accordingly At A meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham August 15th 1765 Then Agreed with John Killam to Keep Elisabeth Severy for the Space of One year from the Date hereof, for the Consideration of five dollars. During which Time he Sd Killam is to find her Sufficient meat drink washing, and Lodging And at the End of Said Term to Make her Cloaths as Good as when he receives her: and in case of Sickness the Town is to Pay Doctr, and nurses, and all Extraordinary Charges

John Killam Junr — Benja Fairfield, Samll Tarbox, Edwd Waldron } Selectmen of Wenham

NB: Mr Fairfield, and
friend Prisers of ye clothing
pr appointment of ye Selectmen ——

Att a Meeting of the inhabitants of Wenham, Regularly assembled on the 15th day of October 1765 for raising of Money to Defraying the Town's debt, and Charges the year Currant; and for hearing the request of the Rev Mr Joseph Swain with Regard to yee susufficency of his Salery for his Comfortable Support, as pr warrant on file may fully Appear &c — —

1t voted yt Deacon Jonathan Kimball be the Moderator for Said Meeting

2ly Voted that Said meeting be Adjourn'd to the 29th day of this insant October 4 O'Clock afternoon, and Mr Moderator Declared sd meeting to be Adjourn'd Accordingly — — —

Att a Town meeting of the Inhabitants of Wenham October yee 29th 1765 upon the aforesaid Adjournment, Deacon Kimball Moderator — — —

1t voted to Raise a Sum of Money for the use of the Town the year Currant Destinct from Any Concern with the Charge of Building the Steeple — — —

2ly voted to Chocse A Committee to Run A Parrellel Between the Price of the Nesesaries of Life, at, or from this day, back to the day upon which the Rev. Mr Joseph Swain Settled with us in the work of Ministry, and Make

report to y^ee^ Town at their next Meeting, what from year to year was the Difference in the Purchase — of the Rev Mr Swain's Salary in those Necesaries, to that on the day of his Settlement, as afores'd

3ly Voted that Nath^ll^ Brown Esqr Lieut Richard Dodge, Ensign John Friend, be a Committee for the Purpose aboves'd, and Report Accordingly — — —

4ly Voted that there Shall be raised the Sum of Two Hundred Pounds for Defraying the Charges, or Publish Debts of the Town the year Currant & then Mr Moderator Declared Said Meeting to be dissolved, and it was Dissolved accordingly

Att A Meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham December y^ee^ 27th 1765

Then agreed with Mr Caleb Kimball, To keep a School four – Months in the Middle district in Sd Wenham, for the Sum of forty Eight Shillings Pr Month he finding his own diet Said Term to Commence y^ee^ Eleventh day of November last

Benjamin Fairfield } Selectmen
Samuel Tarbox } of
Edward Waldron } Wenham

Att A Meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham December y^ee^ 27th 1765 —— Then Agreed with Mr John Hart, to keep a School three months from the Date thereof, in the East part of the Town, for the sum of forty five Shillings p^r^ month, and his diet found him by the Town at y^ee^ Rate of 4/ p^r^ week Dureing Said Term

John Hart

Benjamin Fairfield } Selectmen
Samuel Tarbox } of
Edward Waldron } Wenham

Att A meeting of the Inhabitants Regularly Assembled on the twenty Seventh day of December 1765 : in order to Receive yee Reports of the Several Committee lately appointed by the Town for divers Servicess : Also to do Somthing for y^ee^ Revd Mr Joseph Swain, &C y^ee^ warrant on file may more fully Appear.

1^t^ Deacon Jonathan Kimball was Chosen moderator.

2^ly^ voted That the Accompt Exhibited at this Present meeting Intilled an Accompt of the Labour, and Mate-

rials for y^ee^ Building y^ee^ Steeple To Our meeting House: The Sum Total Whereof is £^s^351=6^s^=10^d^ old Tenor Dated Wenham December 27th 1765: and Signed Nath^ll^ Brown Jacob Dodge Benjamin Kimball, Benjamin Fairfield, Samuel Tarbox, Committee: be Accepted and Allowed

3ly. Voted that the report of the Committee impowered to Sell Pew-Room in Our meeting House &C Exibited at this present meeting in writing as followeth (viz)..The Committee Appointed by Town of Wenham to Sell the Ground in their meeting House to build pews on; met on the Seventeenth day of June 1765 : and Sold Part of Said Ground, beginning South west and Runing north east on y^ee^ two hind Seats, in the Body of Said house: West End N. St Sold to Mr Ebenezer Kimball for £8=12^s^—6^d^: No. 2 Sold To Nath^ll^ Brown Esqr for £12=13=4: No. 3 Sold to Mr Cornelius Baker, for £11=14=8: No. 4 Sold to Mr Thomas Kimball for £8=1=4: And the twenty ninth of October last we met and Sold the Ground where the Old Stairs Stood, to Palitiah Brown for £8=1=4: All which is Submitted by Jacob Dodge, Benjamin Fairfield, Samuel Tarbox Benjamin Kimball Committee, Wenham December 24th 1765..be Accepted, and Recorded Accordingly. ——

4ly voted that the following Report (viz.) We the Subscribers have Carfully attended to the written directions, and examined into the price of y^ee^ necessaries of life, for fifteen years Past, and are of Opinion that there is due £57=1=6: to make the within mentioned Salary as good as when Mr Swain Settled with us: which is submitted by Nath^ll^ Brown, Richard Dodge, John Friend Committee, Wenham December 27th 1765 be accepted — — —

5ly Voted to Reserve to the Town at present the house where Patrick Burn lately lived, and that the Selectmen be directed to view the Same and Report to y^ee^ Town at this present meeting their opinion with regard to y^ee^ Expediency of Repairing of it ——

6ly voted that this meeting be Adjourned to monday next at 2 o'clock afternoon, at Our meeting House. ——

Then Mr Moderator Declared Said meeting to be Adjourned accordingly. — — —

Att A Town Meeting of the Inhabitants of Wenham Regularly Assembled on Monday the 31t day of December 1765: Upon Adjournment &c Deaion Jonathan Kimball moderator

1t Voted that the Varbal Report of the Selectmen with Regard to the inexpediency of Repairing the House where Patrick Burn lately Lived be accepted, and that Said house, and land belonging thereto be Sold, by Said Selectmen as Soon as Conveniantly it may be done and the money Apropriated to the Towns use.

2ly voted to Raise One hundred and twenty pounds to be immediately assessed on the inhabitants of Said Town, for Defraying the Charge of Building the Steeple to our meetinghouse.

Then Mr Moderator Declared Said meeting to be desolved, and desolved it was accordingly

Att A meeting of the Inhabitants of Wenham Regularly war'd and assembled together on Thursday the 16th Day of Jan.y 1766 : in Order to Receive the Proposals of the Revd Mr Joseph Swain, with Regard to his Salary or Support in The work of the Ministry as pr Warrant. may Appear on File ——

Mr Benjamin Kimball being chosen Moderator Ordered Mr Swains Proposals to be red in Open Meeting, Which being done, a vote Pass'd, that the Gentlen Himself be desired to Appear in Person at this meeting.

Then the Revd Mr Joseph Swain Came and Remonstrated his Pressing Difficuities, Which the Insufficiency of Salary had involved him in; The Town After hearing yee Same with Calmness, and Tenderness becoming their Relation Voted that the Sum of Thirty pounds be given to the Revd Mr Joseph Swain for his Relief under his aforesd Difficulties: — And that the Selectmen be directed to Take Effectual Care that the Sd Sum be Paid as Soon as Conveniently it may be done. — and then Mr moderator Declared the Sd meeting to be Dissolved, and it was Dissolved accordingly.

Publica Concordia nihil utilus.

Att A meeting of the Selectmen January 30th 1766 Then Agreed with Mr William Hasletine to keep a School at the West End of Our Town for the Space of three months from the fourth Day of november last past at £2= pr month Exclusive of Board

William Haseltine — Samll Tarbox, Edward Waldron

Atta meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham Feby 28th 1766

Then Agreed with Edward Waldron to Keep Mary Harriss and Her Child yee Term of one year from the 26th day of September Last Past, for the Consideration of five Dollars. And during Sd Term he is to find the Said Mary Harriss and her child with Sufficient meat drink washing and Lodging with all neesaries, eccepting doctoring and nursing, in case of Sickness in Consideration Afores^{d}: and what labour the Said Mary Can do in Said Term.

And at the End of Said Term he is to make their Cloaths As good as they are at the Date hereof in witness whereof we have hereunto Set our hands the day Above Said

Edward Waldron — Benja Fairfield, Samuel Tarbox } Selectmen of Wenham

At A Town Meeting of the freeholders and inhabitants of Wenham duly warned and Regularly Assembled : on March yee 4th day AD 1766 : for Choice of Town officers for the year unsuing : and Other Town Business As pr warrant on file may fully Appear &c

1 voted that Mr Benjamin Kimball be moderator of this Present meeting

2ly That Benjamin Fairfield, Samuel Tarbox & Edwd Waldron } be Selectmen the year Ensuing

3ly That Edward Waldron be Town Clerk

4ly That Josiah Fairfield Esqr be Town Treasr

5ly { Caleb Kimball Constable for yee West & Benjamin Haggit for yee East End of the Town }

6ly Surveyors Highways { Lieut Josiah Herrick for ye West; Daniel Killam Junr for y^ee^ mid^l^; Richard Dodge Junr for ye East Ward }

Tything^n^ 7ly John Rogers, Billy Porter

Fence viewers 8ly { Lieut Richard Dodge for ye East; Paltiah Brown for ye middle; Ephraim Town for the Westward }

9ly Amos Batcheller Sealer of W^t^ & Measures

10ly Josiah Ober Sealer of Leather

11ly Josiah Herrick Junr, Peter Dodge, Nath^ll^ Bragg } Hogrrieves

12ly John Killam, Thos Fisk } Deerrieves

13ly Amos Batcheller Culler of Staves

14^ly^ John Roger Carder of Wood

15^ly^ Nath^ll^ Bragg, Daniel Killam } wardens

16^ly^ Nath^ll^ Kimball Junr, John Friend } field Drivers

17th Voted that the Act of the Selectmen in Laying out a Private way to Edward Waldrons thro the Land of Caleb Coye be Accepted and Confirmed to him & his heirs as Set forth in their Return Dated Novr 29th 1765: Exhibited at this meeting. ——

18th Voted that the Swine go at Large being well yoked & Ringed According to Law.

Then Mr Moderator Declared S^d^ Meeting to be Dissolved, and it was dissolved accordingly

All the Above officers were Sworn to their Respective offices the Same day Above S^d^ Except Benj Haggit: Josiah Herrick, John Rogers & Nath^ll^ Bragg to his warden Ship.

Wenham November the 29th 1765 :

We the Selectmen of Wenham Have this day Met together in order to Consider of & Act upon the Petetion of Edward Waldron of Sd Wenham the Prayer of which is that A Private Cart way be laid out to him the Said Waldron at his cost & charge . from the way Leading from Wenham to Manchester Thro" the Land of Caleb Coye of Sd Wenham to his woodlott at the East End of Coye's Pond, by Manchester line. Do upon veiwing the

Ground Judge, and Determine if Nesesary & Reasonable that the Prayer of the Sd Edward be Granted. And Accordingly in our Sd Capacity have Acted thereon as followeth viz. begining at A Small Pine Tree Standing in the Land of the Heirs of Deacon Ebenezer Waldron Deceas'd by the Cartway in the Edge of y^ee^ Swamp, and runing from thence Westerly to said Coye's Causeway and A Cross the Same to the Northwesterly Side of the Same and So along on the Northwesterly & Northerly Edge of Said Causey untill it Cometh to y^ee^ up land of the Said Coye, on the Southerly Side the Sd Pond and So Runining along betwixt the upland & Swamp on the Northerly Side of the Cart way to A Gulf: then Rising the brow of ye upland ACross the Said Gulf, half a pole to the South of A Bunch of Apple Trees, that Stands by the Edge of Said Swamp & Pond, So Northwesterly on the Edge of the Brow of the Hill untill it Cometh to y^ee^ Hollow Opposite to Said Coy's Barn — by the Road Afores'd at the Westerly Corner of his field behind his House. — Then turning Southerly and Runing to the Northward of Sd Coys fence that Incloseth his field Afores'd, untill it Cometh to the Highway Afores'd about four feet to y^ee^ Northward of Sd Barn Laying to the Said Waldron a way one Pole in wedth to the South ward of all the Bound afores'd allowing him free Egress & Regress to Pass to & from his Said Lott with Cart & Slead to him his Heirs & Assigns forever, with Privilege to Repair the Same as he Shall Think Necessary from Time to Time Provided he the said Waldron Shall well & truly make and Maintain two Pair of Barrs. That is to say One pair at the Highway Afore s'd the Other pair at the Enterance into Sd Coy's Lanes out of the Land of the Heirs of Deacon Ebenezer Waldron Deceas'd and the Same Carefully Put up after his Passing as aforesd Or Othervise Gates in Like manner.

And in Consideration and Confirmation of all above written we have hereunto Set Our hands The day & year Above Said.

The Above is a True Entry of the Original Att^t^ Edward Waldron T^n^ Cler. — Benjamin Fairfield, Samuel Tarbox, Selectmen of Wenham

Att a meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham March 10th 1766
Then Agreed with Mr Benjamin Kimball to be Pound Keeper the year Insuing for the Lawfull fees.

The Subscribers being Respectively Appointed by the Selectmen of Wenham and Beverly in the County of Essex to Preambulate on the line and renew The Bounds between the Sd Towns. Have Accordingly met on this 14th day of April Anno Domini 1766 : Beginning At the white Oak Standing in the Wall between the land of Nathaniel Brown Esqr : Now in the Possession of Ebenezer Porter, And by land of Cornelus Baker mark'd W: B: & D. Thence . Southeasterly to a heap of Stones in Josiah Herricks Orchard about Seven feet Eastward of an Apple Tree Mark'd W: & B: Thence Northwesterly to A Stone Set in the Ground—mark'd W: & B: In the field now under the Improvement the Above Named Ebenezer Porter The heap of Stones in Meachams Pasture not being Renewed : but Refer'd To be Determined by the Towns. And from the white Oak Tree mark'd W: & B: in Raymonds Pasture to A White Stone in or near The Stone Wall on the North Side of Alfords Hill Marked W: & B: Thence To A Corner of A Wall on the East Side of the Country Road three feet & a half Southerly from an Apple Tree Standing to the Northward of Freeborn Balches Barn mark'd W: & B: Thence to a Stake & heap of Stones in Peter Woodbury's land three feet & a half to the Northward of a Poplar Tree Mark'd W: & B: Thence To a heap of Stones on the Wall on the Southerly Side of the Highway a few rods to the Eastward of The Barn belonging to the heirs of Amos Dodge, one rod northerly of An Apple tree Mark'd W: & B: Thence to a Stake & heap of Stones near Larcombs Corner, So Called mark'd W: & B: Thence to a heap of Stones on the East Side of Longham Meadow. Thence to A Stake and heap of Stones on the East Side of Raccoon Marsh So Call'd Thence to a white Oak Stump late a Tree in Nathaniel Dodges wall marked W: & B: Thence turning Northeasterly to a white oak Tree on Gravelly Ridge mark'd W: & B: with Stones about it Thence more

Easterly to a Stump in Prestons Corner three feet Southwesterly of a Walnut Tree Mark'd W: & B: Thence to a Stake and heap of Stones in a Strait line from Preston Corner afore s'd to apine Tree mark'd W: & B: which is a bound between Wenham, Beverly, & Manchester in Confirmation whereof we have hereunto Set our names the day of the Date above Written

Benjamin Jones	for	Jacob Dodge	for
William Dodge		Edward Waldron	
Jonathan Dodge	Beverly	Ebenezer Kimball	
Caleb Dodge		John Dodge Junr	Wenham

Wee the Suscribers being Lawfully Authorised this fourteenth day of April 1766: To Perambulate, and Renew Bounds between Danvers and Wenham, beginning at the white Oak Tree mard'd D: W: B: Standing in the wall between land of Ebenezer Porter and Cornelius Baker : Then Northwesterly to a Stake and Stones at or near the Head of Leache's meadow at the Easterly End of the Divisional (line.) Wall between Porter, & Andrew's land. Thence to a Stake and Stone's standing on the westerly of the East end of Wenham Causey, which is the divisional bounds betwen Wenham and Porters Farm : from thence to a Stake and Stones Standing at the Northerly end of Sd Causey on the westerly Side of Sd Causey Twenty four Poles Souther'd from the Original bounds by Fisks Barn.

John Nichols	for	for	Caleb Kimball
Benj^{a} Putnam		Wenham	Thomas Kimball
Enoch Putnam	Danvers		
Arch: Dale			

Wee the Subscribers being Appointed by the Selectmen of Wenham and Met the Selectmen Topsfield, To Perambulate on the line & Renew the Bounds between the Sd Towns.

We have met for the Purpose this 14th day of April 1766: And Proceeded in the following Manner (to wit) Beginning at a Stake & Stones in the meadow near Wenham Causey at a northerly corner of Danvers from thence northerly to a Stump and Stones north of Mr Theophilus Fisk's Barn. From thence to A Stake and Stones on the

west Side of the Road leading to Bunkas Meadow thence to a heap of stones by the brook at the end of the wall. Thence to a heap of Stones on the west Side of Robert's Island From thence to a heap of Stones by the Southeast Corner of Pegion meadow, And from thence to the River.

Jeremiah Averil } Selectmen
Daniel Bixby }
Stephen Perkins } for Topsfield

Josiah Ober } Committee
William Fisk } appointed
Nath[ll] Kimball Jun[r] } by the Selectmen of Wenham

Manchester 1[t] 1766

We the Subscribers appointed a committee to Perambulate the Line between Wenham and Manchester Namely Extending from A Pine Tree with Stones Round it, to Dodges Stump

Tho– Lee John Allen.

At A Town Meeting of the Inhabitants of Wenham Regularly Assembled at our meeting House on Fryday the twenty third Day of May Anno Domini 1766: in Order to Choose a Representative and Other Town Business as may more fully appear by the Warrants for Calling Sd Meeting, on File. ——

1ly Proxes were brought into the Box Several Times, for the Electing A Representative: untill an Election Appear'd altogether improbible, then the Town, unanimously Desisted, and Proceeded to Other Business of Sd meeting.

2ly Made Choice of M[r] Benjamin Kimball for a moderator to finish the Remaining Business. — —

3ly Voted that the List of Juriers Presented before the Town at their Meeting be accepted, and that the Selectmen be impowered to Seperate Sd list, and Put the Names into the Respective Boxes. — —

4ly it was Put to vote whittier the Report of the Committee impowr'd to Sell Some Strips of Common land be accepted, and it Pass'd in the Negative; by Reason of a Dispute Rais'd by Cap[t] Brown who Contended for a piece of land included in Sd Report.

5ly Voted that Nathaniel Brown Esqr Mr Benjamin Fairfield and Edward Waldron, be a Committee impower'd by the Town to Draw up the Town's Reasons; and Prefer them in writting to the General Court, why the Petetion of Procter, Pier point, and Others belonging to Danvers, Respecting the Bridge Over Water's River in Sd Danvers, Should not have the Prayer thereof Granted. — and then Mr Moderator Declar'd Sd Meeting to be Dissolved, and it was Dissolved accordingly

Att A Meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham August y^{ee} 25th 1766. Then agreed with Mr Benjamin Edwards Junr To keep Elisabeth Severy the Term of one year from the date hereof for Sum of Six Dollars: during which Time he the Said Edwards is to find the Sd Severy Sufficient Meat drink washing and lodging Suitable to her Circumstances and to Make her Cloaths as good as the years End as they are when he Takes her, And in Case of Sickness the Town to Pay Doct^{r} & Nursing. Sd Edwards to have her Labour During Sd Term. Witness our hands the day of the date hereof

Benjamin Edwards

Samuel Tarbox
Edward Waldron

Wenham Septem^{r} 16: 1766

The Inventory of the widow Severys Cloaths

2 Cotton Shirts 8–4/ two old ditto 2.7/ two aprons 11/ Ditto 20/ One Checked Do 8/	£6= 2=0
two pair of Stockings 1=13	3= 1=0
and caps 18/ waisthets 3/ three neck-cloths 22/	2= 3=0
One Pair of Mittens 1/ Pair of half sleeves & muff	0= 4=2
One Fan 3/ one hood 35/ one Riding hood £8=12^{s} one gown 23/	11=13=0
One Stuff Do 23/ one every day Do. 12/ two under Coats 24/	2=19=0
Two quilted Do. £7=10 One Pair of new Shoes 35/	9= 5=0
Sum Total	235= 7=2

The Above is a True Entery of
The Original Inventory Return'd
into, & now filed in the Office { B. Fairfield } Prisers
{ John Friend }

Attest Edw'd Waldron Town Clerke — —

At a Town meeting of the inhabitants of Wenham duly warned and Regularly Assembled at Our meeting House on Monday the Twenty ninth day of September Anno Domini 1766 For granting Such Sum or Sums of money as are necessary to Discharge the Town debts the year Currant, and Other Business as may be the warrants for calling sd meeting, (now on file) more fully Appear

1t A vote Passd that Lieut Josiah Herrick be moderator of Sd meeting

2ly voted that the Sum of One hundred and forty Pounds be Raised by a Tax on Polls and Estates of the Inhabitants of Wenham & Lands lying within the Same for discharge of yee Town debts as set forth in yee warrant afor:sd.

3ly voted that Nathll Brown Esqr Lieut Josiah Herrick & Ensign John Friend be Invested with full Power as a Committee in the Name of the Town of Wenham to Settle the Boundaries with Beverly Respecting the line between Sd Wenham & the Town of Beverly afore sd. —— And make report of their doings in Sd Capicity as soon as soon as they can with Conveniency.

The last Article in Sd warrant Respecting the Revd Mr Joseph Swain's memorial After Reading Sd Memorial the Town Thought Proper to Dismiss it, without acting any thing upon it. And then Mr moderator Declared Sd meeting to be Dissolved and it was Dissolved Accordingly

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At a meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham Septembr 29th 1766

Then Agreed with Edward Waldron to keep Mary Harriss, and her Child one year from the date hereof: for five Dollars During which Term he is find her, & her Child Suitable Meat, drink washing and lodging, and Make her Cloaths as good at the year end as they are now in

Case of Sickness her Docter & Nursing to be paid by the Town.

Edward Waldron,

Benjamin Fairfield } Selectmen
Samuel Tarbox }

The Original of the above agreement is here Truly Recorded attest Edward Waldron Town Cler

Articles of Agreement Made and Concluded by and between Thomas White of Wenham in the County of Essex, in his Majesty's Province of the Massachusetts Bay in newEngland yeoman on the one part, and walter Fairfield and Nathaniel Fairfield yeomen, on the Other part, both of Wenham Above Sd Witnisseth That whereas we have built a Sawmill on the Old Dam in Sd Wenham adjoining to the land of Sd White, on the one Side, and on Sd Fairfield on the Other Side. the Said White Owning the one half of said Sawmill, and said Fairfield the other half. Wee do for our Selves our heirs Successors, & assigns Covernant & agree futher Concerning the Building of a Grist or Corn Mill to be set on the Old Dam in Wenham aforesd as near the Sd Sawmill as shall be Conveniant and the Said Thomas White Shall have the one half of sd Grist or Corn mill & Sd Walter Fairfield and Nathaniel Fairfield Shall have the other half.— First it is Agreed that Each one of us the Above Named Partners According to his share And interest in Said Mills As is above Expressed Shall in all things do and pay both to the Carpenter for his work and for the providing, and for the Providing All things Necessary for the Carrying on the work to the finishing thereof. —

2ly That the Partners above named Shall Each of them keep particular Accoumps of what they do Concerning the Building or Repairing of Sd Mills. —

3ly Each one of us the S^{d} Partners Shall keep a Plain & particular accompt of all the work that he Shall do in Drawing the Timber for the Sd Mill or Providing or Procuring any other thing which doth belong to us as partners for the finishing of the S^{d} Mills. —

4ly It is further Agreed that in Case any of the aforementioned Partners Shall Neglect to do his duty by not

Paying his Share and Proportion, or not Procuring Such things as are Necessary for the Carrying on of his Part, so that his Partners are forced to be at Cost for the Carrying on of his Part which doth Neglect. his Partner or Partners which are at Cost to do any of his duly, Shall keep atrue accompt thereof, and Shall have his Just Cost of him that Neglects his duty in that Case. — — —

5ly It is agreed by and between Sd Partners that when the said Mills are — Finished or fitt to go they are to have an Equal Privilege by the use of Said Mills according to their interest therein. The Said Thomas White to have the use of the Said Mills two weeks through out the Prefixt Season hereafter herein Agreed on. And Said Walter Fairfield One week and the Said Nathaniel Fairfield one week thro' out the prefixt Season as is Above Exprest. — 6ly it is Agreed by said Partners that when foever

The — Mill or mills shall want Repairing the Partners on whome the Turn is when wanting shall give notice to the Other Partners of what is wanting & of the Sd Partner or Partners shall Neglect to Amend or Repair Said Mill or mills then the Sd Partners who doth amend said mill or mills It shall be at the Cost of ye Said Partner. — —

7ly It is further Agreed by & between Sd Partners, that at any time whilst the said Mill or Mills Remaineth in Partnership between us whensoever there Shall want Earth to Mend the Said Dam belonging to Sd Mills the Partners have liberty to Dig earth and Carry at the Pit in Sd Walter Fairfields land to Mend the Dam on his Side Sd Mill or River and Likewise they have liberty to dig Earth & Carry Earth to Said Dam from Said Thomas Whites Pit in Said Whites land to mend Sd Dam on his Side of Said Mill, or River and from Time to Time as there shall be Need.

8ly It is further Agreed by Said Partners that if there be not Time in the later End of the Season to have Each there full Term as is above Exprest Then the odd Time to be divided in an Equal Proportion according to their interest. — — —

9ly it is further Agreed by Said Partners to Stop the Water by Shutting the Gates Down at the Said dam the Twentieth day of October yearly, and not keep up the Water longer than the first day of April yearely or as the Major Part of the Propriety Shall Agree. ——

10ly It is further Agreed by the Partners above mentioned that the sd Walter Fairfield Shall allow a Highway from the Country Road over his land to Said Mills from Time to Time for the use of Said Mills and Also Sd Thomas White Shall allow a highway thro' his land to Said Mills from Time to Time for the use of Sd Mills, and also Each to allow a Landing Place for Timber & boards at Said Mills from Time to Time and that Each Partner Shall Amend Sd highways as there shall be Occasion in an Equal Proportion According to their interest in Sd Mills. ——

11ly It is further Agreed by Sd Partners that the water shall not be Drawed down lower than six inches upon the breast beam at the End of Each turn. And in Confirmation of what is herein written we have hereunto Set our hands & Seals this fifth day of June in the tenth year of his Majestys Reign, And in the year of our Lord one thousand Seven hundred twenty & four.

Sign'd Seal'd & deliver'd
in Presence of us
Nathaniel Brown
Elisabeth Brown

his
Thomas × White (Seal)
mark
Walter Fairfield (Seal)
Nathaniel Fairfield (Seal)

12ly It is Agreed by Said Partners farther that Whereas there must be a Miller to Our Sd Grist Mill: we do Mutually agree that — Daniel Fairfield the son of Sd Walter fairfield Shall be Miller To our Said Grist Mill for the first three years; and the Said Nathaniel Fairfield, Shall be Miller to our Said Grist Mill the Next three years. —— And that Josiah White, the Son of the Sd— Thomas White, Shall be Miller to Our said Grist Mill the Next three years, And so from Time to time, as

Witness our hands This Twenty first day of December– 1724

Witnesses
Nathaniel Brown
William Dodge

his
Thomas & White
mark
Walter Fairfield
Nathaniel Fairfield

The above articles are Truly Recorded
Attest Edward Waldron Town Cler

At A Meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham February 23^{d} 1767

Then Agreed with Mr Richard Dodge Junr to keep Elisabeth Servie And her youngest Child from the Time she Came from Joseph — Knowlton's untill the first day of May next Ensueing; for the Consideration of twenty Shillings and what Labour She can do During the Sd Term. — —

Richard Dodge Junr

Benj^{r} Eairfield
Edward Waldron
} Selectmen of Wenham

Enter'd & Exam'd p^{r} Edward Waldron
Town Clerk ——

At Ameeting of the Selectmen of Wenham January 7th 1767:

Then allow'd Caleb Kimball to set up A School in the west District in Wenham.

Sam^{ll} Tarbox
Benj^{a} Fairfield
} Selectmen of Wenham

Enter'd & Exam'd p^{r} Edward Waldron
Town Cler — —

At An Annual Town Meeting, Regularly Assembled on the Third day of March Anno Domini 1767; — For Choosing Town Officers y^{ee} year ensuing, to Serve in the Town of Wenham as the Law Directs: And for Other Town Business, as by warrants on file for Calling it May fully appear. —— The following Persons, who Names are under-Written were Elected to the Respective Offices Affixed thereto. —— —

Moderator(Lieut. Josiah Herrick)

Selectmen { Benjamin Fairfield, Samuel Tarbox, Edward Waldron }
Town Clerk (Edward Waldron)
Town Treasurer (Ens John Friend)
Constables { Caleb Kimball, John Dodge Junr }
Surveyors of Highways { Thomas Brown, Stephen Dodge, John Friend }
Tythingmen { Nath^{ll} Kimball Jun, Joshue Orne }
Fence viewers { Josiah Herrick Junr, Eben Kimball, Richard Dodge Jur }
Sealer of Leather Josiah Ober
Sealer of weights and measures (Amos Batcheller)
Deer-reeves { Caleb Coye, Ebenezer Porter }
Field Drivers { John Friend Junr, Thomas Kimball }
Hogreeves { Bartholomew Dodge, John Perkins, Jacob Dodge }
Culler of Staves (Amos Batcheller)
Wardens { Ebenezer Porter, Palitiah Brown }

voted the Sum of Thirty Pound be drawn out of the Town Treasury for the Defraying the Charge of Schools in Wenham the year Currant and that the Same be Apportioned by the Selectmen to each District; According to the Tax they Pay. Lasting, It was Put to vote that the Swine go at large being yoked & Ring'd According to Law, and it Pass'd in the Negative.
Then Mr Moderator Declared Sd meeting to be Dissolved and it was Dissolved Accordingly.

We the Subscribers being a Committee Appointed by Ipswich & Wenham Preamblat the line between Sd Town's

have mate this Thirteenth day of February and have don it in the Manor following (viz) beingeing at y^ce^ Spring at ye Maple Tree, So on to a Grate white Oke, So on to a Stack on Fowlers Island; So on to a Beatch to a Hemlock on hemlock Island to a Stump with Stones near Pleasant Pond to a Walnut Tree att Ebenezer Batchellers Corner to the bord fence by the County Road to a white Oak Stump in Fairfields land to a little White Oak Tree, to a walnut stump.
white Oak Tree to a heep of Stones to a White Oak Tree by the Gate to a White Oak Stump to a Pine Stump on the Northerly Sid of Snack hill Over the Swamp To a Small white Oak in the Wall to an hemlock from thance Over the brook and a Point of upland to Dodges Stump.
Wenham Feb^ry^ 13th 1767 ——

John Hubbard, John Patch Junr, Nath^ll^ Poter } Ipswich Committee

Billy Porter, Hairfield White, Palitiah Brown } Wenham Committee

Enter'd & Exam'^d^ pr. Edward Waldron Town Cler.

At a meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham March 9th 1767: ——
Then Appointed Mr Amos Batcheller, to Procure a Standard, half Bushel Measure, & A Peck, & half Ditto, for the Town's use.
At the above Meeting Agreed with Thomas Senter To Keep his Mother the year to Come, for the Sum of Eight Pounds. + And to Perform the Service of Sexton y^ee^ Ensuing year for Two pounds with the Priviledge of diging Graves: he being faithfull therein, and Demand but the Lawfull fees for Sd Service + Exclusive of Doctor, & Nurses Bills in case of Sd Mothers Sickness.

Also at the before mentioned meeting of the Selectmen the Thirty Pounds lately voted to the use of the Schools in this Town the year Currant was Apportioned to the Several Districts within the Same Accordingly to their Tax Persuant to Sd vote by which vote the East district

Draws ten Pounds two Shillings — Middle D° Eleven Pounds, West D° Eight pounds Eighteen shillings.

At a meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham March y^ee^ 24th 1767 Then Appointed Ebenezer Kimball, to the Service of Pound-Keeper the year Ensuing for the Lawfull fees: And at the Same Time Agreed with him that he Should Pasture the Burying place the Ensuing Season with Sheep or horses; for the Sum of Five shillings & four pence

Ebenezer Kimball

Benjamin Fairfield, Samuel Tarbox, Edward Waldron } Selectmen of Wenham

Enter'd & Exam'^d^ per Edward Waldron Town Clerk

March third day 1767: A list of Town Officers as they Stand Recorded Page 125 & 26th of this Book, was by y^ee^ Clerk Given out to Constable Caleb Kimball, with Order to Summon the Same Persons in Sd list to Take their Respective Oaths. Who Returned on the Back of sd list

Essex ss: Wenham March 3^d^ 1767

By virtue of the written warrant I have notified & Summon'd the within Named Persons to Appear According to the within directions Caleb Kimball Constable as on file appears attest Edward Waldron Town Clerk.

At An Annual Town Meeting March 3^d^ 1767:

Lieut. Josiah Herrick Moderator

Benjamin Fairfield, Samuel Tarbox, Edward Waldron } Selectmen

Edward Waldron) Town Clerk

Ensign John Friend) Town Treasurer

Caleb Kimball, John Dodge Junr } Constables

Thomas Brown, Stephen Dodge, Ens John Friend } Surveyors of Highways

Joshua Orne) Tythingman

Amos Batcheller Culler of Staves

Josiah Ober Sealer of Leather

Daniel Killam Junr Corder of wood
John Friend Junr } Field Driver
Thomas Kimball }
Ebenezer Porter }
and Paltiah Brown } Wardens
Nath^{ll} Kimball }
Sworn march 16th

Josiah Herrick Junr } Fence Viewers
Ebenezer Kimball }
Richard Dodge Junr }
Amos Batcheller) Sealer of weights & measures
Batholo^{w} Dodge } Hogrieves
John Perkins }
Capt. Jacob Dodge }
Caleb Coye) Deer-rieve

March 1767 the Persons above Named ware Sworn into the Respective Offices According to the above list Also Each of them Took the money Oath
Before Nath^{ll} Brown Jus.Is
March 26th 1767: The foregoing Certificate is Recorded & Exam^{d}
P^{er} Edward Waldron Town Clerk

At a Town Meeting of the inhabitants of Wenham duly warn'd and Regularly Assembled on the 24th day of April Anno Domini 1767 for Choosing an Agent &c as p^{er} warrant for Calling the Same on file may more fully Appear.

1^{t} Voted That Nathaniel Brown Esqr be the Moderator of this Meeting
2^{ly} voted that the Reasons reported by Sam^{ll} Tarbox John Friend & Edward Waldron Committee Respecting Danvers Bridge be Accepted — — —
3^{ly} voted Pursant To a letter from Royall Tyler Esqr of the 20th of March last directed to the Selectmen of Wenham, now Red in this meeting &c That Nathaniel Brown Esqr: be an Agent for this Town, to wait upon

the Honourable Committee of both Houses of Assembly, appointed to view a Bridge over Water's River in Danverse, at the Time when they Shall Attend that Service, and Lay before them the following Reasons voted in this meeting why we Humbly Apprehend this Town Ought not to be at Any Part of the Charge of Supporting the Bridge Afores'd. Reason first the County Roads in Wenham, are, and have ben for Many years Past, more chargeable than the Highways in Danverse, in Proportion to the bigness of Each of Sd Towns & more Especially with Respect to A Long Causey (known by the Name of Wenham Causey) which is Eighty four Poles in length, and built upon a very Boggy meddow, in which by Reason of its Continual Sinking; we are at Constant Charge to keep it in Repair. And the Same hath lately ben made a County Road, viz much used by Travellers and for carting wood, & Shiptimber to the Sea Port Towns. Reason Second we apprehend the Income of the Mills and advantage of Business and Trade Ausing Chiefly by Means of Sd Bridge, to the Town of Danverse is Such an advantage as Over Ballances all the Charge of Sd Bridge and its Maintainance Reason third, the way over Sd Bridge, is the morst Short and direct to Salem and Marblehead (two Principal Sea Ports in this County) for a Considerable Part of Sd County and therefore of Publick Utility. We therefore Pray the Same may be Continued free of Charge to the Town of Wenham for the Reasons above mentioned.

3ly It was Put to vote whether the Petition of Timothy Patch Praying an Abatement of his Taxes for the year 1766 the Prayer thereof Should be Granted, and it Pass'd in the Negative Then Mr Moderator Declared Sd meeting to be Dissolved and it was Dissolved Accordingly.

At a Town Meeting of the inhabitants of Wenham Regularly Assembled on the 19th day of May Anno Domini 1767: for Electing a Representative and Other Town Business more fully Express'd in the Warrant for Calling the Same on file may appear ——

Mr Benjamin Fairfield Chosen Representative for the Present year

Mr Benjamin Fairfield Chosen moderator to finish the Remaining Business of this Present Meeting — — —

Voted that Nathaniel Brown Esqr Capt. Jacob Dodge & Mr Benjamin Fairfield be a Committee to Treat with the Revd Mr Joseph Swain upon his Memorial Presented at this meeting and make Report at the adjournment of Sd Meeting

Voted that Deacon Samuel Tarbox Lieut Samuel Porter & Lieut Richard Dodge be a Committee to Treat with Mr Josiah Ober about his House and half Acre of Land in the Middle of the Town and make Report at yee adjournment of this Meeting — —

Voted that the Selectmen have the Power of Selling what Land is mentioned in the warrant for Calling this meeting as also any Such Strips of wase land as may be Sold without damage to the Town. — — —

Voted that this meeting be adjourn'd to fryday the 22d day of this instant May at 4 o'clock afternoon at the meeting House: and then Mr Moderator Declared Sd meeting to be adjourned Accordingly — — —

At a meeting of the inhabitants of Wenham held on the 22nd day of May upon adjournment &c Mr Benj Fairfield Moderator.

The Committee appointed to Treat with the Revd Mr Joseph Swain Reported Verbally that they found his Circumstances very Difficult

Voted that Capt. Jacob Dodge Nathaniel Brown Esqr & Doctr William Fairfield be a Committee to Treat with the Revd Mr Joseph Swain more Particularly, by way of Enquiry into Circumstances with Regard to the Demands, or Debts which are now Standing against him. Also to Know what he will Take for his House and Land = and make Report of the Same at the Adjournment of this meeting.

Voted that this meeting be Adjourned to Monday the first day of June next 4 o'clock afternoon at this Place: then Mr moderator Declared Sd meeting to be adjourned accordingly — — —

At a Town meeting of the inhabitants of Wenham held

on the first day of June Anno Domini 1767 upon Adjournment Mr Benjamin Fairfield moderator

The Committee Chosen to Treat with the Revd Mr Joseph Swain Respecting his Debts &c — Reporter in writing as followeth (viz) Pursuant to the within Order we have Treated with the Revd Mr Joseph Swain, and find his Debts according to the Best account he can give amounts to £2706=10=0 Old Tenor. ——

Likewise if the Town Should See fitt to Purchase his Lands, he would leve it to Set the Price. — which is Humbly Submitted by us Wm Fairfield, Nathaniel Brown, Jacob Dodge Committee.

Voted that the Report of the Committee Respecting Mr Swains Debts be Accepted. ——

Voted that Mr Thomas Brown Mr John Friend & Doc^r Wm Fairfield be a committee to wait upon the Revd Mr Joseph Swain & inform him of what the Town have done in answer to this memorial of the 10th of May Last. —

Voted that Thos Senter, be Permitted to Erect a Cottage to the Southward of the Pound on the Training field Adjoining to Deacon Kimballs land in Wenham, and the Same to Continue in Sd Place During the Towns Pleasure. Then Mr Moderator Declared Sd meeting to be dissolved, and it was Dissolved accordingly.

At a Town meeting of the inhabitants of Wenham duly warned & Regularly Assembled on the 30th day of July Anno Domini 1767

1st Voted That Nathaniel Brown Esqr be moderator

2^ly Voted that the List of Juriors presented by the Selectmen be accepted.

3ly voted that Josiah Herrick Benjamin Fairfield John Friend, Benjamin Fairfield Samuel Porter Eben^r Porter, Sam^ll Tarbox, Richard Dodge, Jocob Dodge, Jonathan Kimball, Tyler Porter Stephen Dodge, and Josiah Ober be selected out of Sd List as the One Quarter part, and their names wrote on Seperate Pieces of Paper and Put into a box, for Juriors to Serve at the Superior Court

4ly voted that the Other 39, or Remaining three Quarters of Sd list be Put into a box As Juriors, for the inferiour Court. ——

5ly voted that Nathaniel Brown Esqr Ens^{n} John Friend, & Lieut Richard Dodge be a committee to Apportion the Piece of Highway lately Laid out by the Court of General Sessions of the Peace: from near the House lately John Killam's Junr Accross to Beverly line; and Set to Each Surveyor of y^{ee} Highways in this Town, his Particular Division and Part thereof to Repair. And Amend, and make Report of the Same,

At the next Town Meeting, then Mr Moderator Declared this Town meeting to be Dissolved

At A Meeting of the inhabitants of Wenham Regularly Assembled at Our meeting House on the 22^{d} day of September Anno Domini 1767: as per warrant for Calling the same may fully Appear &c

voted That Nath^{ll} Brown Esqr be Moderator of this meeting

Voted That the Sum of One hundred pounds be assessed on the inhabitants of this Town, and lands lying within the Same and Levied and Paid into ye Treasury for the — Suppying the Same the year Current. — — —

Voted That the Several Surveyors of Highways in this Town Join and are impowered to Compell the People of their Particular Distreets to assest in Puting that piece of Highway into Repair which hath lately ben Laid out by the Sessions from near the House where John Killam Junr lately lived, to Beverly line North-ward of the House of Jonah Dodge of S^{d} Beverly —

and then mr. moderator Declared Sd meeting to be Dissolved, and it was Dissolved accordingly. — — —

Att a meeting of the Selectmen September 22^{d} 1767: Then agreed with mr. Nathaniel Bragg to keep wid Elisabeth Severy for the Space of one year from the Date hereof for the Sum of two pounds two Shillings and Eight pence during which Term the Said Nath^{ll} Bragg is to Provide washing, lodging, meat, drink, &c for the Sd Elisabeth and to have the Sd Elisabeth's Cloathes as good at y^{ee} year's end, as they are when he Receives her. She the S^{d} Elisabeth to do what Labour She is able for

him during S[d] Term; and in case of of Sickness the Town is to bear the Charges of Doctors & nursing
as Witness Our hands

his
Nathaniel × Bragg
mark

Sam[ll] Tarbox
Edw[d] Waldron
} Selectmen of Wenham

At a meeting of the Selectmen November 9th 1767
Then agreed with Deacon Samuel Tarbox, for the Labour of Mary Harriss, three months, from the date hereof that he y[ee] S[d] Deacon Shall Give the Sum of one pound four shillings in Necessary Cloathing Sutable for the S[d] Mary, and provide her — Sufficient meat, drink, washing and lodging — her three months Service to Commence at the date hereof —

Sam[ll] Tarbox

Benj Fairfield
Edw[d] Waldron
} Selectmen of Wenham

At a meeting of the Selectmen December the 23rd 1767; Then Appointed M[r] Caleb Kimball to be a School Master for the Town of Wenham the year Currant.

Benj Fairfield
Edw[d] Waldron
} Selectmen of Wenham

The above is truly
Recorded and Exam[d] attest
Edw[d] Waldron T C.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen February the 25th 1768: Pursuant to a Vote of the Town of Wenham Pass[d] in May Last Impowering the Selectmen to Sell Wast & Strips of Lands.

We the Subscribers do by the Authorety afores'd Grant to Lieut Richard Dodge from the westerly corner of Luke Dodges land lately bought of John Killam Jun[r] to the Grapevine Bridge leaving the road Two Poles wide to the Southard, and not infringing Sd Grapevine Causey on the North east Side:

All the Land on the Said Northeasterly Side home to the Causey, Saving no part of his fence to infringe upon it, Leaving the Road two Poles wide on the Southerly & Westerly Side, All the way from the first mentioned cor-

ner. Then from the Land Sold to Capt. Brown on the South Side of Sd Road as you come toward Wenham Meeting House leaving the Sd Road two Poles wide to the northeast, allowing Killam to Straigten his wall at a Little bend near Opposite to Knowltons well on sd Killams Side: and then Sd Dodge to go on Still the Same Causey from Sd Well upon the wall on the Sd South Side of Sd Road to his Bars Opposite to James Dodge's Orchard, and Still on from Sd Bars upon his new Wall untill he Cometh to the Corner, on the Sd South Side of Sd Road by his Barn. Then begining at the Southerly Corner of Thos Patches Farm Socald on ye North Side of Sd Road by James Dodges Land, And from thence toward Sd Meeting House untill you come to the Private way that Goeth to the hundred acres in Ipswich so call'd near Sd Dodges Barn leaving ye Sd County road on the South Side two Poles wide between walls, all the Land on the North to him Saving the two poles Afore sd.
Then beginning at the Southwesterly Corner of Sd Dodge's Homestead, near the School House, twenty links from sd Corner thence up Dennises lane on the Northeasterly Side of sd lane Leaving the sd Lane two poles wide on the Southwesterly Side untill he Cometh to the Corner Tourning upon Waldrons land. Also granted to James Dodge a Stripe of Land in the Highway Joining to his Homestead from his Gate to the land Sold to Lieut Richard Dodge, bv Sd Patches Homestead leaving the Road on the South side two Poles wide. all which lands afore'sd we by virtue of the authority afores'd do Grant to them the Sd Richard & James Dodge and their heirs forever in consideration of the Sum of five Pounds Nine shillings and four Pence. In Confirmation whereof we hereunto Set our hands the day and year above above sd.

Samuel Tarbox ⎫ Selectmen
Edw'd Waldron ⎬ of
Benj Fairfield ⎭ Wenham

At A Meeting of the Selectmen February the 29th 1768 Pursuant to a vote of the Town of Wenham Pass'd at their Meeting in May last Impowering the Selectmen to Sell Waste Stripes of Land &c. We the Subscribers do

by the Authority Afore-sd in consideration of Eighteen Shillings and eight Pence, Grant to Daniel Killam fourteen Poles of land in the Road Adjoining to his Land to the Eastward of his House, and on which the Same Stands: Begining Eighteen Feet South eastwardly from the Corner before his door, and from thence extending Easterly Eight-teen Poles to the bend of the Wall on the North Side of the road Going down Day's Hill. —
Also allowing him to Streighten his line from the bound first Mentioned Westerly to the South Corner of his Son's Garden; also to bring out his Wall at the Bars, on ye Opposite Side of the Road Against Mr Swain's land, about two feet in wedth, and about a Rod in length. In confirmation of the above written we hereunto Set our hands the day And year Above s'^d^

Sam^ll^ Tarbox, Edwd Waldron, Benj Fairfield } Selectmen of Wenham

At A Town Meeting of the Inhabitants of Wenham Regularly assembled at our Meeting House on March the 1st 1768 for Choice of Town Officers, and Other Business as mentioned in the Warrant for calling the Same May fully Appear on File The Persons whose names are as followeth were Chosen to ye Offices thereunto Affixed. —

Nathaniel Brown Esqr Moderator

Benjamin Fairfield, Samuel Tarbox, Edward Waldron } Selectmen

Edward Waldron Town Clerk

Ensign John Friend Town Treasurer

Caleb Kimball, John Dodge } Constables

Lieut Richard Dodge, Ephraim Town, Palitiah Brown } Fence viewers

Amos Batcheller Sealer of w^ths^ & measures

Josiah Ober, Sealer of Leather

Isaac Kimball, Stephen Dodge, Matthew Fairfield } Hogreeves

Cornelus Baker, William Cleaves } Deerreeves

Amos Batcheller, Culler of Staves

John Rogers, Corder of Wood

Thomas Kimball, Caleb Kimball, Stephen Dodge, John Friend Junr, Josiah Ober, Richard Dodge Jun. } Surveyors of Highways } Tything men

Haffield White, Richard Dodge Junr, Nathaniel Kimball Jur, Benjamin Dodge, Ebenezer Kimball } Fieldrivers } Wardens

voted

Voted The Highways in the Town of Wenham Shall for the Future by a Tax on Polls and Estates of the inhabitants of the Town and Lands Laying within the Same be kept in Repair —

Voted That the Sum of Fifty Pounds be Levied in manner Afores'd for Repairing the Sd Highways the year Current. ——

And that the Same be Assessed by the tenth day of May next.

Voted that Isaac Kimball, Ebenezer Porter, Tyler Porter, Stephen Dodge, and John Dodge be a Committee to Seat Wenham Meeting house

The Swine to go at Large being yoked & Ringed According to Law.

Then Mr Moderator declared the Above Meeting to be Dissolved & it was Dissolved accordingly

An Inventory of the Estate of the Widow Susanna Gross lately Deceas'd, and the disposition made of it Since her Decease for defraying the charge of her sickness and funeral &c — is as followeth

Pursuant to an advertisement for Sale of Sd Estate &c Condition of Sale at the vendue held at ye House where she lived on the ninth day of March &c

1 the Highest bidder to be the Purchaser

2ly every bid to be Reckoned in old Tenor

3ly Less than one Shilling on 20s to be accounted no bid & so in proportion

4ly every Person who is a Purchaser is to pay the one Quarter part of his sd Purchase immediately down, and the Remainder in three months &c.

Struck off to Jonathan Moulton one oyl Jar £0–2–6

Edwd Waldron pr Order.

To Deacon Tarbox earthen ware at	0—	3—	6
To James Kimball Books of Diverse kinds	0—	12—	0
To Deacon Tarbox 3 Do. — —	0—	8—	1
To James Friend glass bottles at	0—	3—	6
To Nath[ll] Kimball Earthen Plates at — —	0—	15—	0
To black Peggy old Puter at — —	0—	12—	0
To Lydia Kimball Eathen Tin & wooden ware at — —	0—	3—	0
To Haffield White a p[r] old cards at	0—	3—	0
To Nath[ll] Kimball Jun[r] Do forcotten at	0—	12—	0
To Josiah Ober Jun[r] Goards & Tin Coffee pott at — —	0—	2—	6
To Eben[r] Batcheller one Puter Tanker at	1—	0—	0
To wid' Elis Kimball 6 Puter Plates —	1—	16—	0
To Pal' Brown 1 Puter Plater at — —	0—	16—	0
To Eben[r] Batcheller 2 Puter Plates at —	3—	2—	0
To Jacob Perkins a Lamp at — —	0—	4—	6
To Joseph Batcheller a glass Bottle & knives at — —	0—	4—	6
To Edward Waldron Tongs at — —	0—	14—	0
To Nath[ll] Bragg an iron Kittle at — —	0—	15—	0
To Eben[r] Batcheller an iron Pott at — —	0—	18—	0
To Matthew Fairfield an Trammel at —	1—	7—	0
To John Perkins a Quilted petticoat at —	2—	4—	0
To Edward Waldron 1 under Do, at —	1—	6—	0

	L	S	D
To Haffield White one Gown at —	1	11	0
To Hannah Moulton 1 D° at —	1	15	0
To Ebenezer Kimball one Silkcape at Do	1	10	0
To John Perkins one Ridinghood at —	0	15	0
To Isaac Kimball 1 yard of Cotten & Linen Cloth at — —	0	14	0
To Edw[d] Waldron 10 yards of Tow Cloth at 7/ pr yard — —	3	10	0
To the wid Elis' Kimball flax & yarn at —	0	8	0
To Nath[ll] Kimball Jun. 1 Looking glass at	1	2	0
To Phebe Kimball a Check'd linnen apron at	0	7	6
To Isaac Kimball a Tow D° at — —	0	3	0
To Dea Tarbox a Tow D° at — —	0	4	0
To Sarah Holmes a Tow D° at — —	0	4	0

To Thomas Kimball 2 Canting handkerchiefs at — —	0	2	0
To D° 3 Towels at — —	0	3	6
To Deacon Tarbox 1 whitened Do at — —	0	6	0
To Edward Waldron 2 weskitt at — —	0	3	0
To Caleb Kimball 2 Blankets at — —	0	15	0
To Lydia Kimball 1 Tow Sheet at — —	1	1	0
To Dr Tyler Porter one Pocket at — —	0	2	1
To D° one Linnen Apron at — —	0	9	0
To John Friend one iron hook at — —	0	1	8
To Thos Kimball one handkerchief at — —	0	4	0
To Benjamin Fairfield 5 Night caps — —	0	3	6
To Thos Kimball 3 pr of ½ Sleeves at —	0	6	0
To Joseph Batcheller 1 pr of white & one pair of black mittens — —	0	2	2
To Benj Fairfield 3 old fans at — —	0	6	6
To Deacon Tarbox one Taffity hood at — —	0	15	9
To Isaac Kimball 2 Pillow cases at — —	0	15	6
To wid' Elis' Kimball 1 Shift at — —	0	13	0
To Jerusha Batcheller 1 D° at — —	0	14	6
To Hannah Moulton 1 D° at — —	0	16	0
To D° one Linnen D° at — —	0	13	0
To Tyler Porter 1 D° at — —	0	17	0
To D° 1 p^{r} of New Shoes at — —	1	7	0
To Isaac Kimball 1 p^{r} of yarn Mittens at —	0	4	6
To Deacon Tarbox one pr of yarn Stockery at	0	11	6
To Eben^{r} Kimball 2 p^{r} of D° at — —	0	3	0
To Benjamin Fairfield one Bunnet at — —	0	7	0
To Dea Tarbox 2 p^{r} pairs of Spectules & Cases at	0	3	0
To John Friend one wooden box & the Stuff in it at ——	0	3	0
To Isaac Kimball 1 Pocket Book at ——	0	5	0
To Isaac Porter a bag & Case at ——	0	1	6
To Tyler Porter 1 iron box 1 silver peg & tag, 1 old piece of a Silver Thimble	0	12	0
To Hannah Moulton ½ pound of Stocken yarn at	0	12	6
To Jonathan Moulton one woolen wheet at	0	17	6
To Josiah Ober 1 Linnen D° — at — —	1	2	0

To Eben Kimball 1 p^{r} old wooden Scales —	0	1	3
To James Kimball 1 feather bed, bolster & Pillow at 6/ pr pound at 59	17	14	0
To Tyler Porter a bedstead & cord set —	1	13	0
To Thomas Kimball a bed blanket at—	0	5	0
To Bartho^{w} Dodge 1 Rug at — —	1	17	0
To Tyler Porter one Coverled — —	1	13—	0
To Caleb Kimball one under bed at	0—	15—	0
To Tyler Porter one Sea Chest at —	1—	0—	0
To Thomas Kimball 2 old chairs at — —	0—	17—	6
To Nath^{ll} Ober 3 Do. at — —	1—	0—	0
To Tyler Porter one Flower'd Punch Bowl at	0—	13—	6
To John Friend one Squair Table at —	0—	10—	6
To Wm Webber one Joint Stool at — —	0—	4—	6
To Edward Waldron one Dollar in money	2—	5—	0
To one Case of Low Drawers not Sold —	2—	5—	0
Sum Total	£70—	11—	11

The above is a True inventory of the sd Deceas'^{d} which has come to the knowledge of the Selectmen

At a meeting of the Selectmen March 7th 1768 Then Agreed with Thomas Senter, to keep his mother the Insuing year from the date hereof for the Sum of Eight Pounds, and in case of Sicknes the Town to bear the Charge of it. Also Agreed with him to Serve as Sexton for the Sum of two Pounds.

Benj Fairfield, Samuel Tarbox, Edw Waldron } Selectmen of Wenham

Recorded & Exam^{d} attest
Edwd Waldron T clerk

Essexss To John Dodge Junr one of the Constables of
(Seal) Wenham in sd County Greeting.

In His Majestys Name you are hereby required forthwith to warn & give Notice to the freeholders and other inhabitants qualified by law to vote in Town Afairs belonging to your ward in sd Wenham that they assemble and meet together at our meeting house in sd Town on Tuesday the 19th day of May Current at 3 o'Clock afternoon.

1st To Elect & depute a Sutable Person to serve for & Represent them in a Great and General Court or assembly appointed to be Conven'd held & kept for his Majesty's Service at the Court House in Boston, upon the 27th day of May Current &c as Morefully Setforth in the Precept of the Sherriff to the Selectmen directed

2ly To Act what they think Proper with Respect to a Memorial of the Revd Mr. Joseph Swain

3ly To order that a cottage be Erected for Thomas Senter & his Family upon the Place where his Father's stood, or Else where as they think proper, and that the Same be done as Soon as May be.

4ly To See if the Town will confirm a bargain made by a late Committee with Lieut Richard Dodge respecting some waste Stripes of land in the Highway or Convey the Same to him in Any Other Method

5ly To See if the Town will Sell to Nathaniel Brown Esqr; a Strip of land to Inlarge his yard before his door. And hereof fail Not, and Make due return of this warrant and of your doing therein unto the Selectmen on or before the sd 19th day of May. — Dated at Wenham afore sd the 13th day of May Anno Domini 1767 pr order of the Selectmen Edward Waldron Town Clerk.

At A meeting of the Selectmen March 14th 1768 The Estate of the Widow Susanna Gross Deceas'd

Money in Lawfull Dr.

To Cash Paid Hannah Moulton for Eight weeks nursing at 4/ pr week & boarding herself, during sd Term at 1/4 per week	2–8–0
To Cash Paid Isaac Kimball for Sundries in yee time of her Sickness — —	—0– 7– 3
To Cash Paid Deacon Tarbox for Do.	1–12– 6
To Cash paid Jonathan Moulton for divers Services	0–10–10
To Cash Paid Thomas Senter for diging the Grave	0– 4– 0
To Cash Paid to Peggy the wife of Primus Boorgilla for Assisting the Nurse in dressing the Sores of the Deceas'd — —	0–18– 1

To Cash paid Primus for cutting wood at the Door — —	0– 6– 0
To Cash Paid Benjamin Fairfield for wood, sugar & Cheese — —	0–14– 8
To Cash Paid Edmund Kimball for Cheese	0– 1– 1
To Cash Paid Doct. William Fairfield As a Physician — —	1–19–10
To Cash Paid Nathaniel Kimball Junr for Houserent — —	0–12– 2
Sum Total	£9–14– 5

Essex ss: Pursuant to the within warrant, I have warn'd & Notified the Freeholders and Others the Qualified voter to Appear at Time and place mentioned p^{r} me John Dodge Junr Constable

Wenham May 19th 1767

A Parallel warrant was Granted to the other Constable, which hath the following return(viz)

Essex ss: By virtue of the written warrant I have Notified the freeholder, & other Inhabitants Qualified by law to vote in Town affairs, belonging to my ward to Appear at Time and Place within mentioned

Wenham May the 14th 1767 Caleb Kimball Constable

The foregoing Warrants and the Returns is Substantially Recorded.

Attest Edward Waldron Town Clerk.

At a meeting of the Selectmen Mav the 10th 1768 Pursuant a vote of the Town of Wenham Passed at their last May Meeting last impowering the Selectmen to sell land &C in Consideration of two Pistareens to us in hand w^{ee} Sell to John Killam two Poles of land be it more or less which lays in the Highway next his land between Sd Killam's Dwelling house and James Dodges Orchard Leaving Sd Road two Polls wide between walls

John Killam

Benj Fairfield, Sam^{ll} Tarbox, Edwd Waldron } Selectmen of Wenham

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of Wenham Regularly

Assembled at the Meeting house in said Town according to Law (as by the warrants for Calling the Same may more fully appear) on the nineteenth day of May Anno Domini 1768 &c

The Selectmen Moderator

1st Proxes were brought into the Box for the Election of a Representative

the votes were Counted & Sorted: but no Choice was made. ——

The Same was done three Times & no Person was Elected

2ly Voted that Mr Benjamin Fairfield be moderator to Act on the other Articles Contained in the warrant for calling this meeting.

3ly Voted that this meeting be Adjourned to monday the thirtieth of this instant may one o clock afternoon: then Mr Moderator declared sd meeting to be adjourn'd Accordingly to this Place. — —

At a Town meeting &c held May 30th 1768 upon adjournment voted, That the three districts in this Town as they are heretofore, meeted and bounded by, the Town Respecting the Surveyor of Highways, Shall still abide the Same.

2ly Voted that every Person who performs a days Labor upon the sd ways to the acceptance of his Surveyor for the Time being Shall have two Shillings Reward, and in like Manner for every yoke of Oxen one Shilling & four pence, and in like Manner for every cart So imployed one Shilling pr day, and in like manner for every horse So Imployed one shilling & four pence pr day; out of the owners Respective Tax toward Sd way or otherwise out of the Publick Treasury of Sd Town

Whereas the Committee Chosen on the 29th day of September 1766 to Settle yee boundaries with Beverly do report that their Number is too Small and their Power Rather too Scant as well in their own, as in the Opinion of the Gentlemen who met them on the Part of the Town of Beverly, and a Proposal was made to add to the Number & Power on both Sides that a Final Settlement be Made of sd boundary line — —

Therefore 3 Voted That Nathaniel Brown Esqr Lieut.

Josiah Herrick, Ensign John Friend, Deacon Samuel Tarbox, & Ensign Thomas Brown are appointed on the Part of our Town of Wenham, to Act in Conjunction with Such Persons as may be appointed by the Town of Beverly, in Setting the Boundary line between Sd Towns: and they are hereby Impowered to determine, asertain & Conclude Sd line. with Such Persons as on the Part of Beverly afores^{d}, may be impowered to join with them for that Purpose. ——
then Mr Moderator Declared Sd Town meeting to be dissolved, & it was dissolved accordingly

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of Wenham Legally warn'd and Convened at the Meeting House in Sd Town on Wednesday the 25^{t} day of September Anno Domini 1768: as per Warrant on File. may fully appear. — Mr Benjamin Fairfield was unanimously chosen Moderator. Voted That Mr Benjamin Fairfield be a Committee in the Name, and in the behalf of the Inhabitants of this Town to Convene with Such Persons as Shall be Sent from the Several Towns in this Province, As a Committee of Convention to meet at Faneuil Hall, in Boston on thursday the 22^{d} day of this Instant September; that Such Measures May be Consulted & advised as his Majestys Service, and the Peace and Safety of his Subjects in the Province may require. — — —
Then the Moderator declared this Town Meeting to be Adjourned to Monday the third day of October next at 3 o'clock P. M.
At a Town Meeting held at Wenham Meeting House on Monday the third day of Octob^{r} 1768: upon adjournment &C. —— the Committee for this Town, reported that the Committee of Convention at Faneuil Hall Boston, having finished their Business had dissolved themselves, After receiveing sd report, Mr Moderator Dissolved the Town Meeting. — — — —
At a Meeting of the Inhabitants of Wenham Legally warn'd & Regularly Assembled at out meeting House on Thirsday the thirteenth day of October Anno Domini 1768; in order to Grant Money for the Towns use the year Currant and for Providing a Dwelling House for

the Rev^{d} Mr Joseph Swain &c as by the warrants on file for Calling the Same May appear Nathaniel Brown Esqr was Chosen moderator.

2ly Granted the Sum of One hundred and Thirty Pounds to be Levi'd on Polls and & Estates and Paid into the Treasury in this Town, for its use the year Currant. — voted That Nathaniel Brown Esqr: Lieut Josiah Herrick; Ens John Friend, Dr Tyler Porter, and Capt. Jacob Dodge be a Committee to treat with the Revd Mr Joseph Swain, & Report at the adjournment of this meeting the Issue of the Same. ——

voted that this Town Meeting be Adjourned to Thurs'd next to meet at this Place 4 o'clock afternoon on sd day, and the moderator Declared the Same be adjourned Accordingly.

At A Town Meeting of the Inhabitants of Wenham Regularly Assembled at our Meeting House on Thursday the Twentieth day of October A. D. 1768 upon Adjournment

Nathaniel Brown Esqr Moderator.

The Question was Put, whether the Town would Provide A Dwelling House, for the Revd Mr Joseph Swain, as Express'd in the warrant of this meeting, And it Pass'd in the negative by Polls 23 to 16

The Committee Chosen to Treat with y^{ee} Rev'd Mr Joseph Swain reported in writting under the Gentlemans own hand, Dated October Seventeenth Anno Domini 1768: Shewing upon what Supposition he is willing to be dismissed from this People. — The same is directed to Nathaniel Brown Esqr: the Rest of y^{ee} Committee Chosen to Convene with me. — The afores^{d} writting by the warrant of this meeting could not be Considered. — The Revd Mr Joseph Swain by the Same Committee Sent in to the Town a memorial directed to the inhabitants of the Town of Wenham, dated y^{ee} 20th ult. wherein he Proposed what is Contained in the Second Article of the warrant of this meeting which memorial was Considered, & Negative. ——

Then Mr Moderator declared this Town meeting to be

dissolved, and it was dissolved accordingly. —— Attest Edwd Waldron Town Clerk

At a Town Meeting of the Inhabitants of Wenham Regularly Assembled in Our Meeting house on Tuesday the 31^{t} day of Janauary Anno Domini 1769

Nathaniel Brown Esqr moderator

The Question was put whether the Town would Act upon the Paper of the Revd Mr Swain mentioned in the warrant of this meeting: and it Passed in the Negative.
Then the Question was Put whether they would Act upon the third Article of Sd warrant of this meeting, with Respect to the Revd Mr Swains Maintainance, and it Passed in the Negative Then Mr Moderator declared sd Meeting to be dissolved and so indeed it was.

Attest Edwd Waldron Town Clerk.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feby 22^{d} 1769 Then Approbated Mr Caleb Kimball, As School-Master for the Town of Wenham the year Current

Sam^{ll} Tarbox, Edwd Waldron } Selectmen of Wenham

At An Annual Town Meeting of the Inhabitants of Wenham duly warn'd and regularly Assembled on the Seventh day of March Anno Domini 1769: At our Meeting house. in Order to Choose Town Officers for yee year Ensuing, and Other Town Business as by the warrants of sd meeting on File may more fully appear Nathaniel Brown Esqr was Chosen Moderator

Thomas Brown, William Fairfield, Edward Waldron } Selectmen

Nathaniel Brown Esqr Treas^{r}

Caleb Kimball, John Dodge } Constables

Peter Dodge, Benjamin Haggit, Josiah Herrick Junr } Tything men

Paltiah Brown, Benjamin Dodge } Surveyors

Edward Waldron Town Clerke

Benjamin Dodge
John Dodge
Thomas Kimball } Fenceviewers
Josiah Herrick

John Killam
Ebenezer Kimball } Hogrieves
Matthew Fairfield

John Perkins } Deerrieves
Thomas Fisk

Josiah Ober Sealer of Leather

Amos Batcheller Sealer of W^ts & Measures

John Dodge
Nathaniel Kimball } Field Drivers
Haffield White

Isaac Giddings
Isaac Kimball } Corders of Wood
Daniel Killam
Joshue Orne

Voted That the Sum of Fifty pounds be Assessed on Polls and Estates of the Inhabitants of this Town and land lying within the Same, for y^ee Repairing and Amending the Highways the year Currant, and the Same to be performed with all convenient Speed. — —

Voted That the Swine go at Large in the legal manner.

Then Mr Moderator declared this Town meeting to be dissolved and it was dissolved accordingly

The above is a true record Attest Edward Waldron Town Cl.

At a meeting of the Selectmen February 5th 1770 Then Approbated Mr Caleb Kimball, to be a School master for the Town of Wenham the year Currant.

Thos Brown } Selectmen
Edwd Waldron } of Wenham

at a meeting of the Selectmen march 16th 1769 Thomas Senter was Appointed Sexton for the year Ensuing with his Former Allowance for sd Service he being faithfull therein: Also to Ring at 9 o'clock P. M. if the People Subscribe a Suitable Encouragement to him iny^t regard.–

Appointed Ebenezer Kimball, Pound Keeper, he Ac-

cepting the Charge, and Exacting no more than the Lawfull fees for his Service.

Essex ss: March 7th 1769

The within mentioned Persons were Sworn according to law, to the faithfull discharge of their respective Offices Except Josiah Herrick Surveyor of highways

by me Nathll Brown Juscc Peace

The above Certificate is truly recorded

Attest Edward Waldron Town Clerk.

We the Subscribers Daniel Bigsby, Stephen Perkins Zaccheus Gould, Elisha Wilds, Selectmen of Topsfield & William Fisk, & Matthew Fairfield, A Committee appointed by the Selectmen of Wenham met and Perambulated the Line, and renewed the Bounds between the sd Towns on this Twenty Seventh day of April 1769: As followeth (viz) begining at a Stake and Stones in the meadow near Wenham Causey the Northerly Corner of Danverse From thence Northerly to a Stump and Stones northerly of Mr Theophilus Fisks Barn. From thence to a Stake, and Stones on the West Side of the Road leading to Bunkers meadow. Thence to a heap of Stones by the Brook at yee end of a wall. From thence to a heap of Stones by the Brook at yce end of a Wall From thence to a heap of Stones on the West of Robnisons Island, From thence to a heap of Stones by the Southeast Corner of Pigeon Meadow, and from thence to the River.

Daniel Bixby, Elisha Wilds, Zaceheus Gould, Stephen Perkins } Selectmen of Topsfield

William Fisk, Matthew Fairfield } Committee appointed by the Selectmen of Wenham

We the Subscribers being lawfully Authorized this Twenty-eighth day of April 1769: to Perambulate and renew bounds between Wenham and Danverse. begining at a white Oak Tree marked W.B.D. Standing in the Wall between land of Nathll Brown Esqr and Cornelus Baker

thence Northwesterly to a Stake and Stones at or Near the head of Leaches Meadow, at the Easterly end of the divisonal Wall between Porter, and Andrews's land. Thence to a Stake & Stone, Standing on the Westerly Side of the East end of Wenham Causey which is the divisional bound between Wenham & Porter's Farm. Thence to a Stake & Stones Standing at the Northerly end of sd Causey, on the Westerly Side of Sd Causey 24 Poles Southard from the Original bounds by Fisks' Barn.

Stephen Putnam, Jeremiah Page, Samuel Holton Junr } Committee for Danvers

Wm Fairfield, Thos Brown } Committee for Wenham

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of Wenham duly warn'd and regularly Assembled on thursday the 25th day of May Anno Domini 1769: for the Choice of a Representative and Other Town Business as by the warrants of the Same on File May more fully Appear.

Proxes were twice brought into the Box for the Election afores'd, and counted by the Selectmen by which it appeared that No Person was Elected. Upon a motion made and Seconed, the Question was Put whether Proxes Should be brought in Again for a Third trial, and it Pass'd in the Negative.

Then Mr John Friend was Chosen moderator to finish the Remaining Business of the Meeting

Voted that the Highway Tax or Rate Bills Presented by the Selectmen be Accepted.

Voted that Mr Patches Rates mentioned in the warrant of this meeting be not Relinquished.

Voted that Samuel Patches Rates mentioned in the afores'd warrant be Abated.

Then the Moderator declared the Meeting to be dissolved and it was so accordingly

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of Wenham Regularly as the Law directs at Our Meeting House on the Fifth day of June 1769:

Assembled to Act on yee Request of a numbr of yee inhabitants of this Town, in bhalf of Timothy Patch, his having his rates Abated &c and Other Business as pr yee warrant of the Same May more fully appear. —

Capt Nathaniel Brown was Chosen moderator
The Question was Put whether the Town would reconsider their former votes respecting Mr Timothy Patch's Tax being Abated to him and it Pass'd in the Negative. Voted that the list of Juriors by the Selectmen Presented for Approbation be Accepted. And that Ens' John Friend & Deacon Samuel Tarbox be a Committee to Make a Severation of sd list for y^{ee} respective Boxes, which sd Committee immediately did & reported at sd Meeting that they had assign'd.
Assign'd Josiah Herrick, Jacob Dodge, Richard Dodge, Nath^{ll} Kimball, Jonathan Kimball, Benjamin Fairfield, Daniel Killam, Josiah Ober, Samuel Porter, Benjamin Dodge, Daniel Killam Junr, Tyler Porter, and Stephen Dodge Making thir-teen in number, and one Quarter Part of the whole of S^{d} list, to the Box including Juriors to Serve at the Superior Court, the Remainder of Sd list, being about forty in Number they reported that they assign'd to the Box including Juriors for to serve at y^{ee} inferior Court. Then the moderator Put the Question whether the Severation or report of S^{d} Committee Should be Accepted and it Passed in the Affirmative. Voted that the Selectmen Act as they think Proper with Regard to Selling the land to Mr Edwards Mentioned in the warrant in this meeting. Then the moderator declared the meeting to be dissolved and it was dissolved Accordingly—

Wee the Subscribers Constituted by the Selectmen of Wenham and Manchester to preambulate on the line & renew the bounds between sd Towns Agreeable to such appoint; have Conven'd this Thirteeth day August 1769: and renew'd the bounds as followeth beginning at y^{ee} heap of Rocks at Beverly Corner, and fence to the Pine Tree mark'd W: & M: and from thence perambulated on sd line and Renew'd y^{ee} several bounds until we came to Dodge's stump: which is the Corner bounds between Ipswich Manchester & Wenham

Committee	for the Town of Wenham	Committee	for the Town of Manchester
	Palitiah Brown		Jonathan Herrick
	Daniel Killam Junr		Benjamin Killam
			William Tuck

At A Meeting of the Inhabitants of Wenham duly warned & Regularly assembled at Our meeting house on this third day of October (the 3d day) Anno Domini 1769: To grant money for discharging the Town's debts &c and other business as Pr warrant on file may more fully Appear &c Nathll Brown Esqr was Chosen moderator

Voted that the Sum of Eighty pounds be Granted, Assessed & Paid into the Town Treasurery for the defraying the Town's Just debts the year Current.

Voted that Capt Jacob Dodge Deacon Samuel Tarbox, and Doctr William Fairfield be a Committee Impower'd on the Part of this Town to join with Such Committee as are or may be appointed & Impower'd by the Town of Topsfield, in Straitning or altering the line be Sd Towns as they when Convened on that Occasion Shall think Necesary for the Convenience of both. The Question Put Whether A man Should be Sent to Boston as an agent to Perfer a Petetion to the General Court next Sessions Praying An Abatement of interest of our Province Tax in year 1765: (to be Paid this year because no Orders from Sd Court to do it before) and it Pass'd in the Negative.

Then Mr Moderator declared this Town Meeting to be dissolved, and it was dissolved accordingly.

Pursuant to a Vote of the Town at their last meeting, we the Subscribers have in Cooderation of Seven shillings and two Pence halfpenny, Sold unto Benjamin Edwards a Small piece of Land Lying in the Highway Adjoining to Sd Edwards land, Near Capt Jacob Dodges, Leaving the highway better than two Poles wide.

Wm Fairfield, Thos Brown } Selectmen of Wenham

Wenham Octobr 25th 1769

The above is a True record of yee Original on File

Attest Edward Waldron Town Clerk.

Pursuant to an appointment of Ipswich & Wenham We the Subscribers have Conven'd this 4th day of January Anno Domini 1770: and Perambulated on the line, & renew'd bounds between Sd Towns begining at yee Vail

Maple mark'd I W: thence Easterly to A Great White Oak mark'd I W: thence to a Stump on Fowlers Island, mark'd as afores'd, thence to a Beach Stump mark'd as Afores'd, thence to a hemlock mark'd as afores'd near a Stump & Stones upon on hemlock Island thence to a Stump with Stones near Pleasant Pond, thence to a walnut tree at Eben^{r} Batchellers Corner — Thence to the board fence by the County-road. Thence to a white Oak Stump in Fairfields Pasture, thence to a wallnut Stump, thence to a white oak Tree mark'd as afores'd, thence to a little white Oak Tree, thence to a heap of Stones, thence to a white Oak Tree by the Gate marked as Afores'd, thence to a Pine Stump with a heap of Stones about it & a Stake marked as afores'd on the northerly Side of Snake hill.

Thence over the Swamp to a Small white Oak in the Wall, thence. Thence to ahemlock Stump with Small Beaches Standing near it Marked as Afores'd. From thence Over the Brook, and a Point of upland to Dodge's Stump Standing by the edge of sd upland

Jacob Dodge, Tho'^{s} Brown, Sam^{ll} Quarles, Edwd Waldron } Committee for Wenham

John Patch, John Hubbard } Committee for Ipswich

The above Perambulation is Truly record

attest Edwd Waldron Town Cler

At a meeting of the Selectmen March the 12th 1770

Then agreed with Thomas Senter to Perform the Service of Sacristant the year Ensuing for the Sum of Forty Shillings he being faithfull in it

Edwd Waldron, Daniel Killam, Caleb Kimball } Selectmen of Wenham

At A meeting of the Inhabitants of Wenham duly warn'd and Regularly Assembled at our Meeting House on the 6th day of March Anno Domini 1770: For the Election of Town officers & other Business as p^{r} warrant on file may fully Appear &c

Nathanael Brown Esqr was Chosen for the moderator

Caleb Kimball, Daniel Killam Junr, Edwd Waldron, Edwd Waldron — Select men

Thos Fisk, Wm Cleaves — Deerieves

Edwd Waldron — T' Clerk

Josiah Herrick Junr, Joseph Knowlton, Thomas Kimball — Fieldrivers

Essign John Friend — Town Treasurer

Stephen Dodge, Cornelius Baker — Wardens

Josiah Ober, Samuel Quarles — Constables

Amos Batcheller — Sealer of W^{ts} & Measure

Joshua Orne, Daniel Killam Ju^{r}, Samuel Tarbox — Surveyors of H'ways

Josiah Ober, Stephen Dodge — Sealers of Leather

Matthew Fairfield, Benj^{a} Edwards Junr, Ebenezer Kimball — Surveyors of Fences

Stephen Dodge, Daniel Killam Junr — Corders of Wood

Josiah Herrick Junr, John Rogers – – — Tything men

Capt Jacob Dodge, Ens' Tho'^{s} Brown, Lieut Josiah Herrick, m^{r} Josiah Ober & Dea Sam^{ll} Tarbox — Committee to Seat the meeting House – –

William Fiske, Billy Porter, Stephen Dodge, Isaac Kimball — Hogrieves

Voted, that the Two hind Seats in our meeting house on the Women's Side on the Lower floor, be turned into a Pew to Accommodate the Singers. And that Deacon Samuel Tarbox, Nathaniel Brown Esqr and Mr John Friend be a Committee to oversee the doing of it.

Voted that the fourth article in the warrant of this meeting be dismiss'd

Voted that the Reports of the Several Committees with Regard to the Settlement of the Line's between the Towns of Wenham, Beverly & Topsfield be accepted; and that the Same be recorded

That the Sixth Article in the warrant of this meeting be dismiss'd

voted That the List or Lists of Taxes to the Highways by the Surveyors duly returned or that shall hereafter be returned to the Selectmen not Satisfied, and Paid: be by sd Selectmen forthwith Properly Committed to the Constable or Constables for the Time being in order that the money may be by them Collected of Such Person or Persons as by Sd List, or Lists appear to have Either Neglected or Refused to Pay and Satisfy their Respective proportion wherat they are respectively Assembled, and Set in sd List or Lists, to sd Highways: agreeable to the former votes of this Town Respecting the repairing and Amending the Highways within the Same. And that the Selectmen for the Time being Proceed in Like manner in that Case for the Future. And the money so Collected to go into y^{ee} Town Treasury for the use of sd Town. —

Voted the Selectmen Afford to Thos Senter Necesary Relief as one of the Poor of this Town.

Voted that the Sum of Fifty Pounds be Granted for the Repairing and the Amending the Highways the year Current and that the Same be assessed as usual.

Voted that the tenth Article in the warrant this meeting be dismissed.

Then the Moderator declared the Sd meeting be dissolved and it was dissolved accordingly

Essex ss: Wenham March the 6th 1770

The within Named Persons were Sworn to the faithfull discharge of their respective Offices Except Mathew Fairfield, Billy Porter, Isaac Kimball, Thos Fisk, and William Cleaves. by me Nath^{ll} Brown Jus. Peace.

The transactions of the foregoing meeting and what is Relative to it is truly recorded. Attest Edward Waldron Town Cl'k.

At a Town meeting Legally warn'd held in Beverly, July vee 4th 1769:

Voted that Maj^{r} John Leach, Ensign Josiah Batcheller, & Capt Caleb Dodge, be a Committee with full Power in Conjunction with a Committee from Wenham; to make a Strait line from the Bounds in Lieut. Josiah Herricks Orchard, to the bounds Call'd Alford's Stump.
As Also to agree upon a Line from the bounds in Lieut Josiah Herrick's orchard afore'sd to the White Oak Tree in Cornelius Baker's Wall. A True Copy as Appears upon record, this 14th day of July 1769

William Ober T Clerk

We the Subscribers being appointed by the Town's of Wenham, & Beverly to Agree upon and Settle a Strait Line between s^{d} Towns, from the white oak Tree in Cornelius Baker's Wall, to abounds in Lieut. Josiah Herrick's Orchard and Like wise to Make and Settle aStrait line from sd bounds in Herrick's Orchard to a bound Called Alfords Stone or Stump maked W: B: Pursuant thereto we have met together for that Purpose and Settled sd line as followeth (viz)
Begining at sd White Oak in Baker's Wall and from thence on aStrait line to the bounds in sd Herrick's Orchard, which is a Stone Set in the ground marked W: B: and the Course from sd Tree to sd Stone is South Seventy one degrees & Thirty miles east, distance Eighty four Poles. And from sd Stone in Herrick's Orchard to sd Alford's Stone aStrait Line, which is South Eighty degrees & thirty miles East Three hundred and forty one Poles distances Wenham October 4th 1769

John Leech	For	Nath^{ll} Brown	Committee
Josiah Batchelder	Beverly	Josiah Herrick	from the
Caleb Dodge		Sam^{ll} Tarbox	Town of
		John Friend	Wenham
		Thos Brown	—

Whereas the Lines between Wenham and Topsfield, are very Intregate, and the bounds being in such boggy Meadows that they could not git at them when they Perambulated; Therefore the s^{d} Towns of of Wenham & Topsfield have Impower'd us the subscribers to Straiten the Lines between sd Town, or make Such Alterations as we think necessary we having met for the Purpose afors^{d}

and have altered and Straitned s[d] Lines and made monuments as followeth viz — begining at a Stake and Stones near Wenham Causey (so Called) being abound between Wenham, Topsfield, & Danverse From Thence running North Thirty Six degrees, and a half east one hundred & Seventeen Poles, and a half, to a Stake & Stones by awall. Thence North fifteen degrees east Eighty & two Poles, and a half, to a Stake and Stones at y[ee] Northeast Corner of Robinson's Island (so Called) Thence North Twenty degrees & a half east Sixty Poles to a Stake and Stones, at the Southwest Corner of Wenham Island (so Called) Thence North fifty Eight degrees and a half east —Twenty-Nine Pole to the River, at the Northwest Corner of sd Wenham Island. Thence by the River to Ipswich Line.

Dated December 12th 1769

Jacob Dodge, Samuel Tarbox, William Fairfield } Committee of Wenham

Elij'ah Porter, Stephen Perkins, Zaccheus Gould } Committee of Topsfield

The foregoing Settlements and Beverly vote Relative to one of them are Truly recorded

Attest Edward Waldron Town Clerk

At a Meeting of the Inhabitants of Wenham duly warned and Regularly Assembled at Our Meeting-house on Tuesday the third day of April Anno Domini 1770

Nath[ll] Brown Esq[r] was Chosen moderator

Voted That a Grammar School be Constantly kept in this Town the year Ensuing.

Voted that Provision be made for the support of the Same.

Voted That a Committee be Chosen to Provide a School-Master, and to apportion sd school According to the Tax or Rate-Bill in this Town

Voted That D[r] William Fairfield Ensign John Friend, & m[r] Stephen Dodge, be a Committee to Apportion sd School as above[sd]. — Then the moderator Declared the Meeting to be dissolved & so it was

At A Town Meeting of the Inhabitants of Wenham duly warned & Regularly assembled on the 23^{d} day of May 1770 for for Electing aRepresentative & other business p^{r} Warrant of y^{ee} same on File may fully appear &c
The Question was Put whether the Town would make Choice of a Person to Serve at y^{ee} General Court, y^{ee} Present year Pursuant to the Preceipt and it Passed in the Negative.
Voted That Nath^{ll} Brown Esqr be the moderator to finish the Remaining business.

Voted that the Article Concerning the Newbury letter be dismiss'd
Voted That the vacant Ground in the Gallery of our meeting-house be Sold at Publick vendue to the highest bidder, and that Ens' Thos Brown, m^{r} Stephen Dodge, and m^{r} Richard Dodge Junr be a Committee to Sell the Same, and make report with all Convenient Speed
Voted That the Surveyors of highways in y^{ee} Several districts in this Town make due return to the Rate or Tax bill to the s^{d} ways to them Committeed by the Selectmen; on the first day of September yearly, until the Town is Pleased to Order the Contrary.
Voted That the fifth Article in the warrent Respecting Each distrect, bearing the Charge of their own ways & Bridges in all Cases. be dismissed.

Voted That the article Corcerning the Selling the Singers Pew be dismissed. — —
Voted That the Selectmen — — be a Committee in the name & bhalf of the Town to Seperate the List of Juriors into the Respective Boxes. And then the moderator declared this Town meeting to be dissolved, and it was dissolved Accordingly:
At a meeting of the Selectmen May the 23^{d} 1770: Then agreed with Mr James Friend Junr for him sd Friend, to improve the Burying Place the Ensuing year by Patureing Sheep therein & no Other Creature: And in Consideration thereof he Sd Friend is to Pay the Town, five shillings and four pence at the Experation of sd Term.

James Friend Junr

Edward Waldron } Selectmen
Caleb Kimball Junr } of
Daniel Killam } Wenham

A True Copy of the Original Attest
Edward Waldron Town Clerk.

At a Town meeting Legally warned held in Beverly March y^{ee} 12th 1770: —— Voted that the Report of the Committee appointed and impowered to Settle the Line between the Towns of Beverly & Wenham, be accepted, which report is as followeth (viz) &c

N: B: the above mentioned report is the Same verbatum recorded in this Book Folio 149: and is on File.

At a Town Meeting of the Inhabitants of Wenham duly warn'd & regularly Assembled on the 25th day of September Anno Domini 1770: —

Lieut. Josiah Herrick moderator.

Voted That the Sum of One hundred & Twenty pounds be Granted, Assessed, Collected and Paid into the Treasurey for defraying the Legal Necessary Charges of the Town the year Currant.

Voted that Dr William Fairfield, Ens' John Friend and Mr Nathanael Kimball Junr be A Committee to sell y^{ee} vacant Ground in the Gallery of our meeting-house, and make report with all Convenient Speed.

Voted that Deacon Samuel Tarbox, Ens' Thomas Brown, and Ens' John Friend be a Committee to Scrutanize into the boundaries between the Nail Maple on Ipswich line at y^{ee} Springs and Topsfield Corner at y^{ee} River. — Then M^{r} moderator Declared this meeting to be dissolved and it was dissolved accordingly. — —

November the 12th 1770: An Inventory of the Estate of Sarah Batcheller, one of the Poor of the Town of Wenham and apprized by us the Subscribers. ——

To one Bed Pillow & Bolster w^{t} 68th	£3– 8–0
1 Quilt 10/3 Blankets 6/– one coverlet 6/	1– 2–0
2 p^{rs} of Sheets one Cotten 12/–	
2 (other Pillow Cases)	0–13–4
1 under bed, bedstead & Cost 6/8	
hollon gown striped 9/	0–15 8

1 Black Stuff D° 9/– 1 Callomino D° 8/4 Drugit Do 7/–	1– 4–0
Short Do 1/ Plaid 1/– blue quilted Coate 6/– under D° 4/–	0–12–0
under Coate 6/– Old quilt D° 1/4– 3 Coats the head on 8/–	0–15–4
1 Riding hood 6/– 2 p^{rs} of Stays 8/– 3 Check'd aprons 5/4	0–19–4
blue D° 1/4 — 2 white Aprons 6/8 2 Cheek'd handkerch 1/4	0– 9–4
5 white D° 6/0 — 2 Silk D° 4/– Black hood 2/8 ——	0–13–4
12 Caps 10/– Gloves & Mits 2/– 2 p^{rs} of Short Sleeves 1/4	0–13–4
Black bunnet 0/3 — 4 prs of Hose 2/8 — 1 Cap & white handkerchief 1/8 — 4 Shifts 12/ — 3 prs. of Shoes 3/	1– 0–0
	£12– 2–8

The within & above Goods were appraized by us the day abovesd ——

Nath^{ll} Kimball
Nath^{ll} Brown

Rec'd of the Selectmen of Wenham the within & fore Going Goods, and promis to Return the Same in value Demanded. — by me ye day within mentioned

Josiah Herrick

also an alwool Cloak of ye Value of 2/8 & a Cap of ye value of 2/8 — & akibond at 0/8 — a white hood at 0/8. Rec'd per me ye day abovesd on ye same Conditions above mentioned. Josiah Herrick ——

The foregoing Inventory & what Relates to it is truly Recorded. Attest Edwd Waldron Town Clerk —

At a meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham Novemb^{r} 12th 1770 This Agreement made by & between Sd Selectmen on the one Part, & Lieut Josiah Herrick of sd Wenham on the Other Part Witnesseth, that the Sd Josiah Herrick is to Take ye Widow Sarah Batcheller (one of the Poor of this Town) into his Family and her To Provide with Sufficient meat drink washing & Lodging during the term

of one year from the date hereof, and at the end of sd Term to make her Cloathing & Beding as Good as it is now. And the sd Selectmen on their part & for their Successors do Engage to Pay unto the sd Josiah Herrick ye Sum of nine Dollars: and allow him what Labour the sd widow can do, being Constantly Employ'd as she is able during sd Term, and in Case of Sickness Pay the Necessary Charges of Doctors & Nursing together with y^{ee} Nine dollars Aforesd at ye end of sd Term. And in Confirmation hereof; we have hereunto Set our hands the day Abovesd

Josiah Herrick

Edwd Waldron } Selectmen
Caleb Kimball } of
} Wenham

The Above Agreement is truly Recorded.

attest Edwd Waldron Town Clerk —

At a Meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham 16th of July 1770. An Inventory of y^{ee} goods and Estate of Esther Bootman, who is now become one of the Poor of the Town, is as Followeth (Viz) 1 Featherbed, underbed, bedstead, & bolster, 2 cover leds 2 Blankets, 1 Low Case of Drawers, 2 Chests, 1 Table 1 Suit of Stamp'd Curtains. 4 Chairs 1 Bellows, 1 Linnen wheel, & 1 wooling D°, 2 Reels, 2 Glass Bottles 1 Silver Spoon, 2 Small Glass bottles, 1 Bunnet, 1 p^{er} Stays, 1 Salt Box, 1 ^{per} Iron dogs 1 Slice & Tongs, 1 frying Pan, — 1 Stone Mug 1 Earthen Pitcher & Bowl, 1 mug, 1 Tin Coffee Pott 2 Tea-pots, 3 Saucers, & 3 Tea cups, 1 Warming pan, 1 Gold neckless with ninty beeds in it 2 Riding hoods, 1 Stuff Gown, 1 Callico Quilted Coate, 1 Chenil Gown, 1 Silkcape D° 2 Bibles, 10 Ser' Books. — 1 Callaminco Gown 1 Callaminco Coate, 1 broad Cloath Cloake 1 Tinsel Pan & jillpot Delph ware, 7 yards of 3/4 ^{d} allinnen, 3 under Coats, 1 fine Shift. 1 old muff, 2 Common Shifts, 1 Cotten Sheet 1 Tow D° 1 Table Cloath, 1 Ton-bag, 1 Linnen Table cloth, 1 little D° 3 napkins, 3 Checked linnen Aprons, 1 looking-glass, 1 iron-pot 1 brass kittle, 1 box irons & heaters, 1 Stuff Gown, 3 Puter Teaspoons, 4 Caps, 1 Candlestick 4 wooden Plates, 3 p^{r} of worsted hose 4 p^{r} of yarn D°, 1 velvit hood,

1 Doublesilk handkerchief. 2 Linnen D°, 1 pocket D° 2 p^{rs} of Thred mittens, 2 boxes, 1 Pail & wash-tub.

At a meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham October the 24th 1770

Then Agreed with the wid' Eunice Porter to keep the wid' Elisabeth Severy, for the Space of one year from the Date hereof for the Sum of three Pounds during which term, ye Sd Widow Porter is to find the Said Wid' Severy Sufficient meat drink Washing & Lodging & to make her Cloaths as Good at y^{ee} years end as they were when they were Prized to Mr Caleb Kimball at her first Receiving the Sd wid Severy and the S^{d} Selectmen for themselves, & Successors, Engage to pay the sd Wid' Porter, the sd three Pounds, and allow her what Labour y^{ee} Sd Severy can do during sd Term: and in Case of Sickness defray the Charge of Doctors & nursing which may Arise by means of the Sd Elizabeth. Witness our hands the day abovesd.

Edward Waldron } Selectmen
Caleb Kimball } of
} Wenham

The Above Agreement is truly recorded
Attest Edwd Waldron Town Cler.

We the Subscribers being Appointed a Committee to Sell the Platform or Ground offour Pews in the Mens Gallery: have this day Sold the Same as followeth viz: N° 1 To Ezra Kimball for £0–14^{s}–5^{d}:
N° 2 To Josiah Ober Junr for £1–16^{s}–3^{d}:
N° 3 To Matthew Fairfield, for £0–17^{s}–7^{d}:
N° 4 To William Fairfield for £1–14^{s}–3^{d}:
Sum Total £5=2^{s}=3^{d}

William Fairfield.
John Friend.

A True Record of y^{ee} Original
Exhibited by y^{ee} Above Named Committee
Attest Edwd Waldron Town Clerk —

At a Meeting of the Inhabitants of Wenham duely warned and Regularly Assembled at our Meeting house on the fifth day of March Domini 1771 — for the Election of

Town Officers and Other business as by warrent on file may fully appear &c — — —
Nath[ll] Brown Esq[r] was Chosen moderator
Caleb Kimball
Richard Dodge Jun[r] } Selectmen
Will[m] Fairfield
William Fairfield Town Clerk
Ens. John Friend Town Treasurer
Josiah Ober
Sam[ll] Quarles } Constables
Dea[n] Sam[ll] Tarbox } Surveyors
Nath[ll] Brown Esqr } of
John Dodge Jun[r] } Highways
Matthew Fairfield } Surveyors
Edward Waldron } of
Stephen Dodge } Fences
John Friend J[r] } Tythingmen
Joshua Orn }
Cornelius Baker
Edw[n] Kimball } Hogreaves
Stephen Dodge
Tho[s] Kimball
W[m] Cleaves –
Paltiah Brown } Dearreaves
Caleb Coy }
Nath[ll] Kimball Jr.
Benj[m] Edwards Jr. } Fieldrivers
William Fisk
Matthew Fairfield } Wardens
Hatfield White }
Amos Batcheller Sealer of weights & measures —
Josiah Ober } Sealer
Stephen Dodge } of
} Leather
Daniel Killam Jr. } Corders
Stephen Dodge } of
} Wood
Voted that the Second Article in the warrent be Discon[d]—
Voted, that a Grammer School be Kept in the town the

year to come as it is the present year — and that Doct^{r} William Fairfield, Ensan John Friend and Stephen Dodge be a Committee to provide for the Same. ——— Then the moderator Declared the S^{d} Meeting to be Disolved and it was disolved accordingly.

Essex ss: March 5th 1771 — the Above Named persons (Except William Cleaves Caleb Coye, and Matthew Fairfield) were Sworn to their faithfull Discharge of their offices according to Law

by me Nath^{ll} Brown Just. peace

The transactions of the foregoing meeting is Truly Recorded p^{r} me

William Fairfield Town Clerk

At ameeting of the Selectmen March 11.1771 then Agreed that Thos Senter Should Perform the office of Sexton the year Ensuing for the usuel Sum of Forty Shillings

Wm Fairfield } Selectmen
Caleb Kimball } of
Richard Dodge Jr. } Wenham

At a meeting of the Selectmen April 1.1771 Agreed with Dr. Tyler Porter to be pound Keeper the year Ensuing for the Lawfull fees —

p^{r} order of the Selectmen

Wm Fairfield
Town Clerk

An Inventory of the Estate of Martha Severy late Des^{d} one of the poor of this Town and disposed of the Same at Publish Van due the 9th day of Feb'y 1769 for Defraying Charges &c — &c old Tenor

	£	s	d
To Edward Waldren 1 Quilted Coate	–11		3
" " " 1 Ditto	–13		–
To Sam^{ll} Patch 1 Under ditto	–16		6
To Sam^{ll} Bean 1 Quilted ditto	1–16		0
To Sam^{ll} Patch 1 woolen Gown — —	1–16		0
To Lydia Kimball 1 Silk crape gown	2– 1		0
To Wm Webber 1 Callicoa gown — —		15	0
To John Perkins 1 goan of Sayes — —		3	6
To Thos. Kimball 1 Ridinghood — —	3	14	0
To Tathel Brown 1 pair Stockings — —	1	0	0
To Andrew Dodge 1 pair ditto — —		9	6

To John Giding 1 ditto ditto — —		6	9
To Sam[ll] Patch 1 — — ditto — —		5	6
To Danil Peterson 1 handkerchief — —		3	6
To Isaac Kimball 1 table Cloath — —		8	0
To Lydia Kimball 1 apron pair Latt Sleaves & Silk hood — —	1	11	6
To John Friend 1 apron — —		15	0
To James Friend 1 handkerchief — —		9	6
—— — —— — 1 Cap ditto — —		4–	6
— — ——— — 1 Shifts — —		17–	6
To John Perkins 4 caps — —		9	9
To Eben[ar] Kimball Handkerchiefs & Slippers —		1	8
To Isaac Kimball 1 pair Cotten Gloves —		2	—
To Lydia Kimball 1 apron — —		9	0
To Mary Batcheller ditto — —		4	0
To John Giddings 1 Shift — —		18	6
To Nowel Davison 1 Dant Coat — 1–ditto — —		11	—
——— ——— — 1 pair pillow Cases — —		16	—
To Isaac Kimball 1 handkerchief — —		4	. 6
To James Friend — 1 pair pillow Cases — —		5	6
To Joseph Batcheller Jacket — —		4	2
To John Giddings 1 Towel — —		3	—
To Benj[m] Friend 1 pair of sheets — —	3–	1–	0
To Sam[ll] Bean 1 Sheet — —	1–	15–	0
To Billy Porter one Bag & tape — —		3	—
To Isaac Kimball 1 Sheet —— —		15	0
To Nowel Davison 1 ditto — —		13	6
To Lydia Kimball ditto — —		6	0
To Joursha Batcheller — Books — —		8	3
To James Friend — — 1 Sheet — —		9	—
To Adna Kimball — — 1 ditto — —		16	6
To Dan[el] Killam Jr. 1 pocket book — —		5	8
To Ebin[ar] Kimball 1 Sheet — —		2	6
Carried Up. — —	£32–	2–	0
To Sundries Bro: Up — —	£32–	2–	0
To Sam[ll] Patch — 1 Shift — —		3	6
To Dan[el] Killam Jr. — 1 chest — —	1	6	2
To Josiah Ober 1 Sugar Box — —		5	—
To Dean Tarbox 1 Petticoat — —		1	10

To Andrew Dodge 1 Glass Bottle			1 10½
To John Perkins Ditto			1 4
To Asa Foster 1 Stone Jugg & — —			8 3
To Thos Kimball brase & crol — —			2 8
To Isaac Foster 1 Bowl —— —			10
To Stephen Emery 1 Creamer & teapot Serve & Real			3 5
To John Giddings 1 goorsenger — —			17–10
To Ebin[r] Kimball 1 Cup Canister tea Spoons knives &c — —			19 3
To Dean Tarbox 1 muggs — —			1 3
To Taltiel Brown 1 peper box — —			1 3
To Benj[m] Friend 1 wooden box — —			10 6
To Nowel Davison bread Bolster & frying pan			10 6
To John Perkins Quart bottle tunel & Saucepan			12 11
To Israel Batcheller 1 Chest — —		1	16 6
To Sam[ll] Fairfield five wooden plates — —			3 9
To James Friend 2 Earthen pitchers woolen wheel 2 coverleds — —		4–	8– 1
To Asa Porter 2 plates 1 small chair — —			15 0
To Caleb Kimball Beanpoot 1 tramel — —		1	12 0
To Tolly Swain 1 Beanpott — —			2 0
To Taltiel Brown basket & Sundries — —			4 3
To John Friend Jr. washing tub Great Chair & Sundries — —			5 4
To Isaac Kimball meat tub & under bed		1	2 6
To John Gidings ditto — —			12 3
To Nowel Davison Slice tongs, & Square table		1–	4– 8
To Tyler Porter 1 feather bed — —		20–	18–11½
To Danel Killam Jr fishfork — —			3– 2
To Sam[ll] Patch 1 Coverlead & one Ditto — —		1	2 0
	£	73–	00– 3

The above Inveentory is truly Recorded Agreeable to the Originall Entry — —

William Fairfield Town Clerk

At a meeting of the Selectmen March 21st 1771 Sold at Public Vandue Sundrie Articles Belonging to Esther Bootman (one of the poor of this Town) to the following persons Viz. —— —

	old Tenor
To Joseph Knowlton — — one mug —	2 6
To Matthew Fairfield teapots & Dishes & Trammel	1 10 6
To John Perkins 1 glass bottle & box — —	4 6
To John Friend Jr. 1 Pitcher 1 chair Iron pot old Iron	1–18– 3
To Natha[ll] Brown Esq[r] 1 Looking glass 1 pail 1 table	1 1 6
To Sam[ll] Ober 1 bottle & Dish — —	3– 4
	£5–00–1

Carried forward to Page 159	old Tenor
To Sundries Bro: forwrd from page 157	5–00– 1
To Josiah Ober Bon.Iron & heater & 1 chair	—1 3 9
To James Friend Jr. Suit of Curtains — —	2 12 6
To Danil Killam 1 Chair — —	13 0
To Caleb Kimball 1 frying pan & pair of tongs	1 9 6
To Sam[ll] Fairfield 1 warming pan & old Iron	—1 6 9
To Daniel Killam Jr 1 table & Salt box —	1 7 0
To Isaac Kimball 1 Knife box — —	3 0
To Taltiel Brown 1 Slice 1 pair Bellows & brass Kettle — —	1 14 0
To Thomas Brown 1 brass Kettle — —	3 0 6
To Nath[ll] Kimball Jr. 1 Case of Draws — —	3 1 0
To Billy Porter 1 washtub — —	7– 6
	£21–18– 7

the above is Truly Enter'd
William Fairfield T. Ck —

A Inventory of Sundrie Articles Belonging to the Estate of Wid'w Sarah Batcheller Sold at publick Vandue on the 12th day of November 1770 — &c —

	old Tenor
To Matthew Fairfield 1 pair of Cards —	7– 2
To Josiah Ober ditto — —	9– 0
To Billy Porter 1 Small box — —	18– 0
To Daniel Herrick 1 pot of butter — —	6– 6
To Matthew Fairfield box iron and heaters —	5– 0
To Josiah Ober 1 Candle Stand — —	3– 4

To Andrew Dodge Joint Stool — —			5– 0
To James Babson one pair of Bellows — —			15– 0
To Daniel Rogers 1 Lamp — —			4– 6
To Caleb Kimball 1 Bag — —			3– 0
To John Perkins 1 ditto — —			3– 0
To William Fisk 1 ditto — —			3– 0
To Jonathan Low 1 ditto — —			1– 3
To Josiah Ober Jr. — 1 ditto — —			8
To Caleb Kimball 1 Cloake Real — —			14– 0
To Ammi Kimball 1 Candle Stick — —			1– 6
To Isaac Kimball half Barrill and all in it			12– 0
To John Friend Jur. ditto — —			5– 0
To Stephen Emery 1 Sieve — —			7– 9
To Josiah Ober 1 wallat & all in it — —			5– 6
To Anni Kimball 1 Bag. number Caps & towel	—	18	—
to 2 sheets 2 table cloath & towel	2–	8–	3
To John Friend Jr. — 2 old Shifts — —			10
To Hatfield White ditto — —			6– 8
To John Perkins Sugar box & Sheet — —			10– 2
To James Friend 2 Linnen Shifts — —	1–	2–	6
To Jerusha Batcheller 1 apron woolen hood &c	—	9–	9
To Thomas Kimball 1 pair of tongs — —	1–	1–	0
To Nath[ll] Bragg 1 hour glass — —			9– 0
To Dan[ll] Herrick earthen ware — —			4– 3
To William Fisk 2 pillers — —			5– 0
To Ebin[er] Kimball 1 Small Bagg — —			4– 2
To Josiah Ober 1 towel — —			2– 0
To Caleb Kimball ditto — —			2– 0
To Josiah Ober Jr. ditto — —			2– 0
To Billy Porter Cotten & Linnen Scals & weights			12– 6
To Ebin[ar] Kimball Chect Apron — —			1– 8
To William Fisk Jr. towel tray & old Iron —			9– 8
To John Perkins 2 Silk handkerchiefs— —			2– 0
To Matthew Fairfield Tillaby & Sylvar tag	1–	4–	3
To Josiah Ober Jr. Small Box 2 bottles pot & mug — —			8– 6
Carried Up ———	£17–	14–	4
To Sundries Bro. Up —— —	£17–	14–	4
To Ha ffield White 1 Soap Barrell — —			2– 6

To Taltiel Brown — 1 Box & sundri 5– 4
To Ebenezer Mechom 1 Razor — — 2 –
To John Friend Jr. hamer Gun Socers & Books 1– 4 1
To Nath[ll] Ober knives & forks & Line — 7– 0
To Daniel Herrick Scisers — — 1– 8
To Ebinezer Kimball pad Lock whet Stone
Ladle Scimer &c — — 9– 3
To Taltiel Brown pocket & Book mittens &
Gloves — — 18– 6
To Daniel Herrick Comb & pair Shoes 13– 6
To John Friend Jr. 5 Books — — 2– 3– 0
To D[r] W[m] Farifield 1 Bible 1 pail Chest all
in it Love Case & Drawers 8– 0– 5
To Nath[ll] Over to woodenplates Earthern
dishes & Scater — — 1– 2– 6
To Ebiner Porter wooden plates — — 4– 6
To Luke Dodge Salt morter & pistle
Pocket handkerchiefs & others 7– 0
— — Seventeen porringers & teaspoons
Toasting Iron 19– 6
To Josiah Ober Jr 2 Brooms 2 Chairs 11– 8
To Billy Porter Salt Box Tub & Bucket 5– 0
To Amos Batcheller bread pans 2 pots
3 Earthern Dishes Pott 2– 5– 7
To Matthewe Fairfield milk pan
2 plates Slypers frying pan 1– 5– 6
To Josiah Ober 2 Dishes Scarf & hood
Porringers & Spoons fire Shovel 3– 9– 0
To Isaac Kimball Pott meat Nuts & sundries 5– 4
To Thomas Kimball pewter Quart & 2 Chairs 19– 6
To Stephen Emery woolen wheel tramel 2– 2– 0
To William Fisk Linnen Wheel — — 7– 6
To Andrews Dodge 2 Snuff Bottles old spirder — 4– 6
To Edward Waldron Snuff bottle tea — 11– 0
To Amos Batcheller teapot 2 Cups & Saucers
plater 2 Plates — — 1– 4– 3
To Ebinezer Kimball Iron pott Kittle Ditto — 1– 9– 0
To Ezra Kimball 1 warming pan — 1– 7– 0

£51:01:11

The above Inventory is Truly
Recorded accordingto the Original Entery
William Fairfield Town Clerk

At a meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham April 1st 1771 This Agreement made by & between Sd Selectmen on the one part and Josiah Farifield Esqr on the other part; Witneseth: ——
that the sd Josiah Fairfield Esqr is to take Esther Bootman (one of the poor of this Town) into his family & provide for her sufficient meat Drink washing and Lodging during the term of one year from the date hereof and at the end of Sd term to make her Cloaths beding & as good as they were appeared to him, When he Received them; and the Sd Selectman on their part and for their Successors promise and Engage to pay to the Sd Josiah Fairfield Eqr the Sum of three pounds Six Shillings and Eight pence at the Expiration of Sd Term together with what Labor She is able to do; and in case of Sickness pay the Docters nurses and all Extraordinary Charges, in Confirmation hereof we have Set our hands the day above Sd:——
Josiah Fairfield

William Fairfield } Selectmen
Caleb Kimball } of
Richd Dodge Jr. } Wenham

The above Agreement is truly Recorded
Attest William Fairfield Town Clarke.

An Inventory of the Household Furniture belonging to Esther Bootman one of the poor of this town taken April 1st 1771

1 Feather bed 40/1 under ditto 2/– 1 Bolster 3/	£2– 5– 0
3 pair of Sheets –8/ two table cloaths 2/ three Shifts 5/	0–15– 0
2 Bibles –1/6– 1 bedstead & Cord 4/2 Sheets 6/	
1 pair of Blankets 5/4 two Coverleds — 12/ — —	0–11– 6 0–17– 4
Seven yards of Linnen Cloath	0–11– 4
4 Caps & a Silk handkerchief —— —	0– 6– 0

2 Black hoods & two pairs of mittens	0– 3– 0
1 Striped Callimmeo Gown — —	0– 8– 0
1 yellow Quilted petticoat 6/1 old ditto 2/	
1 Callico Quilted ditto 6/	0– 8– 0
1 under petticoat 1/ — —	0– 7– 0
1 Bonnet 1/ pair Stays 2/8	
1 Ridinghood 8/ — —	0–11– 8
1 Chanes gown 6/ 1 Striped ditto 5/	
1 Crape ditto 5/	0–16– 0
Carried Up — —	£7–19–10

Sundries Bro. Up	£7–19–10
one old gown & cloake 3/	
Seven pair of Stockings 2/ — —	0– 5– 0
1 pair of Shoes 1/6 1 Low chair 1/	
1 Linnen Wheel 2/ — —	0– 4– 6
1 Sylver Spoon marked E.B. —	0– 6– 0
1 gold necklace of Ninty beads —	2– 8– 0
Barnards Saints Victory 3/1	
Regis Treatise 2/ — —	0– 5– 0
Kidder on Sacrament 1/	
Matthers Gospel truths /8 — —	0– 1– 8
Cooper, Cotten & Appletons Sermons	0– 1– 0
Webb and Morgans Sermons	0– 0– 6
	£11–11– 6

The above apprisement made by us—
April 7th 1774 the above Inventory Was Revised and allowed by the Selectmen To Stand, as When Taken,

Tyler Porter Jonathan Kimball
Town Clerk Billy Porter

Recd of the Selectmen the above goods and promise to Return the Same When Demanded byme the day above mentioned — Josiah Fairfield

The foregoing Inventory and what Relates toit is truly Recorded

attest William Fairfield Town Clerke

At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 6 1771— then agreed that — James Friend Jr Should Improve the Buring

place the year Current by Pasturing the Same with Sheep for which Sam[l] Friend is to give five Shillings & four pence — —

p[r] Order of the Selectmen
William Fairfield Town Clark

At a Town meeting of the Inhabitants of Wenham duly warned and Regularly Assembled on the 24 day of May 1771 — for Electing a Representative and other Business as by Warrant on file may more fully appear — —

The Question was put wheather the Town would make Choise of a Repre Sentative, and it pase:d in the Negative — —

Voted — that Nath[ll] Brown Esq[r] be moderator to finish the remaining business —

Voted — that Seventy pounds be Raised to Repair the High way the Current Year

Voted — that Nath[ll] Brown Esq[r] Dea[n] Sam[ll] Tarbox & Daniel Killam Jr be a Com[ttee] to Enlarge the Old Desk that the Town's Books are kept in or Dispose of it & purchase aLarger one as they Shall think proper — —

Voted that Ens. John Friend Dr Tyler Porter and Capt Jacob Dodge be a Com[ttee] to view mr Killams Wall and determain what Shall be done Recspecting is Request —

Voted — that Dea[n] Sam[ll] Tarbox Doct[r] William Fairfield & Doc[tr] Tyler Porter be a Com[ttee] to make Sail of the Pew lately built for the Singers; and provide aplace for them in the East End of the front Gallary as they Shall think proper —— —

Voted that Doctor Waters Psalms & Hyms be introduced into the Congregation tobe Sung on the Lords day &c —

Voted — that the Selectmen be a Com[ttee] to Seperate the List of Jurers and it was done accordingly and accepted by the town — —

then the Moderator Declar:d the meeting to be Disolv:d— and it was disolved accordingly — ——

Attest William Fairfield Town Clark

We the Subscribers being appointed a Com[ttee] by the Town of Wenham to make Sail of a Pew in the meeting house Lately Built for the Use of the Singers, and to apportion

off apart of the front Gallery for the S^{d} Singers as we shall think proper, have accordingly the Sixth day of June 1771 — made Sail of S^{d} Pew as follows viz: that half or Part of S^{d} Pew adjourning the great Alley to Benjm Friend for £7–13–4 the other half or Part to John Friend for £3–7–4 likewise have Set of about one third of the front Gallery (by nailing a strip across the Seet) for the Use of the Singers During Towns pleasure Which is — Humbly Submitted by us — —

Wm Fairfield
Tylor Porter
Sam^{ll} Tarbox

Wenham June 6th 1771 —

Att a Town meeting of the Inhabitants of Wenham duly warn'd and assemble'd on the Tenth day of October 1771 — for Reasing money as pr warrant on file may more fully appear &c Nath^{ll} Brown Esqr moderator —· Voted that £130 be Rais'd on Poles & Estates for Defraying the Town Charges the Current year — — then the moderator Dissolved the meeting —

Attest Wm Fairfield Town Clerk —

at a meeting of the Selectmen November 13th 1771 the following is a true act of what articles that Belonged to the widow Elisabeth Severy Des'd which was Sold at Publick Vandue on the 28th of October Last—Viz—&c.

	Old Tenor
To Richard Dodge Jr white apron–11/ 1 Clock 11/6	
one Striped woolen Gown 22/6.	£1=2— 6
1 Cap 3/. 1 Shift 22/. — —	2= 7— 6
To Matthew Fairfield 1. Striped Apron 4/8 1 Book 9/ — —	0=13— 8
To Caleb Kimball 1 Striped Apron–4/3	0= 4— 3
To William Fisk 2 Strip:^{ed} Aprons 2/6 1 pair Stockings 2/6 — —	0= 7— 6
To Widow Elisabeth Kimball 1 Striped under petticoat 8/— —	0= 8 0
To one Cap—1/3—1 Shift—13/6— —	0=13— 6
To Widow Eunice Porter 1 gown—11/ 1 Book 8/6 —— —	0=19— 6

To Martha Gott one Gown 29/6 — —	1= 9— 6
To William Fairfield 1 Quilted Coat 61/	
1 gown 50/ — — —	5=11— 0
To Isreal Andrew Dodge 1 Cap 1/5½	
1 pair half Sleaves 3/4 — —	0— 4—9½
one Cotten & Linnen Shift 21/— —	1= 1— 0
To Moses Titcomb 1 handkerchief 11/6	
1 waist Coat 7/6 — —	0=19— 0
To one Tafity hood 21/6 1 Shift 19/	
1 bag of rags 5/5 — —	2= 5—11
To Wm Parker 1 book 8/6 1 Blanket 3/2	0=11— 8
To Marsh Dodge Jr. — 1 Petticoat 4/2 —	0= 4— 2
To Sam^ll^ Cole Jr. — 1 pair Shoes 1/8— —	0= 1— 8
To Benj^m^ Varnum bag of Rags 3/ — —	0= 3— 0
To Bartho^w^ Dodge 1 pair Stockings 10/.	
1 Pocket 2/6 — —	0=12— 6
To Daniel Herrick 1 pair Stockings 3/4	
handkerchief 5/6 — —	0= 8—10
To Unice Porter 1 fan & pad lock 1/8 —	0= 1— 8
To Joseph Fairfield 1 Chest and	
Sundries in it 37/9—	1=17— 9
	£22= 8–10½

The above is a true Copy taken from the original
Attest Wm Fairfield Town Clerk. ——

At a Meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham Novb^r^–13th–1771

This Agreement made by and Between the Selectmen on the one part, and Nath^ll^ Bragg of Sd Wenham on the other part —

Witneseth that the Sd Nath^ll^ Bragg is to take the wid^w^ Sarah Batcheller (one of the poor of this town) into his Family and provide for her Sufficient meat, Drink, washing and Lodging during the Term of one year from the Date hereof and at the Expiration of Sd Term to make good her Cloathing Beding &c as they were when Sd Bragg Rec^d^ them; and the Sd Selectmen on their part and for their Succesors doth Engage to pay unto the Sd

Nath[ll] Bragg the Sum of Four pounds Sixteen Shillings, the one half in Six months from the date hereof, and the other half at the years End and allow him what Labor Sd Wid[w] Can do during Sd Term and in Case of sickness the Sd Town to pay the necessary Charges of Doctors and Nursing: In Confirmation herof we have Set our hands the day above mentioned — — —

his
Nath[ll] ⊙ Bragg
mark

William Fairfield } Selectmen
Caleb Kimball } of
Richard Dodge Jr } Wenham

Inventory of the above Sd Wid[w] Sarah Batchellers Cloaths and bed &c as Appraised this 11th day of Nov[br] 1771 by us the Subserbers

Viz — To one bed Bolster & two pillows —W[t]—68th—	£3— 8— 0
to one Quilt 8/ 2 Blankets 6/ one Coverlead 6/ — —	1— 0— 0
two Quilts 12/ underbed Cord & bedstead 7/	0—19— 0
one Riding hood 10/ one gown 9/ Black dito 9 Calimenco ditto 8/	1—16— 0
one Short gown & Cloak 3/ 2 underCoats 5/ old gown 1/ — —	0— 9— 0
two pair of Stays 8/ 6 handkerchiefs 2/8 black hood 2/8 —	0—13— 4
6 prs. Gloves, mitts and short Sleavs 10/8. 2 white gowns 6/8 — —	0—17— 4
two check aprons, one woolen ditto 4/ 2 pairs Sheets 10/ — — ——	0—14— 0
3 Pillow Cases 2/ 4 Shifts 12/ one pair Shoes 4/ 2 pairs hose — —	1= 1— 0
one new gown 2/8 white hood /8 Ribon /8 — one chest 6/ — —	0=10— 0
cloaths on her back 15/ Short waist Coat 4/ bible 1/6 — —	1— 0— 6
	£12= 8= 2

the above agreement & Inventory is truly Recorded — — —

Attest Wm Fairfield Town Clerk

Nath^ll^ Brown
Nath^ll^ Kimball Jr.
Appressors

At a Meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham Ocb^r^ 4th 1771– This agreement made by and Between the Selectmen on the one part and William Cleave of sd Wenham on the other part Witneseth, that the Sd Cleaves is to take the Wid^w^ Sarah Knowlton (who is become one of the poor of this Town) into his family and her provide for with Sufficient meat Drink washing & Lodging during the Term of one year from the date hereof and to make good her bed, Cloathing &ec as they were when Sd Cleaves Rec'd them. and the Selectmen for themselves & successors promises and engages to pay to the sd Wm Cleaves Five pounds Six Shillings & Eight pence at the Expiration of Sd Term together with all the Labor she is able to perform and in Case of sickness to pay Doct^rs^ Nursing & All Extraordinary Charges In Confirmation of which we have Set our hands the day above mentioned.

William Cleaves

William Fairfield, Caleb Kimball, Richard Dodge Jr. } Selectmen of Wenham

An Inventory of the above Sd Wid^w^ Knowltons Cloaths & bed &c — &c

One feather bed & Bolster w^t^–48^lb^–a/8^d^ —	£1	12	0
two Iron Potts a 1/ one pair ofhand Irons 3/	0	5	0
fire Shovel & tongs 4/3 old chairs /8 1 Square table /8 — — —	0	5	4
one chest 5/ one bedstead & Cord 4/ one Under bed 1/ — —	0	10	0
two Rugs 4/ 1 Tram^ll^ 2/ wearing apparell 6/	0	12	0
one Pewter Dish /8 — 1 wooden tray pitcher mug & knife 1/ — —	0	1	8
one white apron & one chest ditto 8/ — —	0	8	0
	£3	14	0

the above Inventory taken and apprised by the Selectmen Decb^{r}–4–1771—

Rec'd the above which I promise to Return in Value when Demanded — —

Wm Cleaves —

The above Agreement & Inventory is Truly Recorded.

Attest William Fairfield Town Clerk — —

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of Wenham Duly warned and Regularly assembled at our meeting house on the third day of March Dom. 1772 for the Election of Town officers and other business as by warrant may more fully appear ——

Nath^{ll} Brown Esqr Choosen Moderator —

Doct^{r} William Fairfield, Caleb Kimball, Richard Dodge Jr } Selectmen

Doct^{r} William Fairfield Town Clerk

Ens^{n} John Friend Town Treasurer

James Kimball, Sam^{ll} Quarles } Constables

Josiah Fairfield Esqr, Thos Kimball, Ens^{n} Thos Brown, Josiah Sweet } Surveyors of highways

Josiah Herrick Jr., John Dodge Jr., Stephen Dodge, Nath^{ll} Brown Esqr, Paltiah Brown, Josiah Ober, Wm Cleaves } Surveyors of Fences

John Rogers, Joshua Orne } Tythingmen

Haffield White, Billy Porter, Caleb Coye, Moses Titcomb, Benj^{m} Dodge, Nath^{ll} Kimball Jr } Hogreaves

Benj^{m} Friend, Wm Cleaves } Dearreaves

Nath[ll] Kimball Jr.
Thos Kimball
Paltiah Brown
Ebin[r] Kimball
Church[ll] Knowlton
Mathew Fairfield
} Fieldriveers

Amos Batcheller
Edward Waldron
} Wardens

Amos Batcheller Sealer of Weights and measures —

Josiah Ober
Stephen Dodge
} Sealers of Leather

Haffield White
Stephen Dodge
} Corders of Wood

The above Persons were Sworn according to Law the day & date above Sd —
Except Josiah Fairfield Esq[r] Nath[ll] Brown Esq[r] Caleb Coye Benj[m] Dodge Church[ll] Knowlton & Edward Waldren — —

William Fairfield Town Clerk

Voted that the meeting house be the Boundary line between the Constables wards in Sd Town and that all the Inhabitants on the East Side of the highway from the meeting house to Beverly Line be added to the Westward and all the Inhabitants on the North Side of the highway from Sd meeting house to Ipswich line be added to the Eastward to Raise Seventy pound to Defray the Charges of Repairing the highways the year Current —
Voted that the fourth Articles in Sd Warrant be Dismissed — —
Voted that Sam[ll] Patches Rates be abated &c — —
Voted that the 6th Article be Dismised — —
Then the Moderator Declared the sd meeting to be Dissolv'd —
The Transactions of the foregoing meeting is Truly Recorded —

p[r] William Fairfield Town Clerk —

At a meeting of the Selectmen March 16th 1772 — — Then agreed with Thomas Seenter to be Sexton for the Term of one year from the date Above Sd for which Service Sd Seenter is to have Forty Shillings — — —

William Fairfield } Selectmen
Caleb Kimball } of
} Wenham

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of Wenham Duly warned and Regularly Assembled at our meeting house on Thursday the 26 day of March Dom — 1772 for choise of Wenham as by warrant of file may more fully appear
Nathll Brown Esqr Choosen moderator

Voted that Joshua Orne be awarden in the Room of Mr Edward Waldren who Declines Serving & Sd Orne was Sworn in Sd meeting &c ——
Then the moderator Declared the meeting to be Dissolved
Attest Wm Fairfield Town Clerke —

at a meeting of the Selectmen April 6.—1772 Then agreed with Dr. Tyler Porter to be pound keeper the year Ensuing for the Lawful fees. pr. order of the Selectmen
At a meeting Wm Fairfield Town Clerk —
of the Selectmen April 6th 1772 — — This day agreed with Josiah Fairfield Esqr to keep Esther Bootman one year from the first Instant for the Sum of Two pounds Eight Shillings and the other Consideration the Same as the Last years agreement
Josiah Fairfield

Wm Fairfield } Selectmen
Richard Dodge Jr } of
Caleb Kimball } Wenham

At a meeting of the Selectmen May–10th–1772 Then agreed that Haffield White Should Improve the Burying place the year Current by Pasturing the Same with Sheep; for which Sd White is to give five Shillings & four pence —

pr order of the Selectmen
William Fairfield Town Clerk

At a Town meeting of the Inhabitants of Wenham Duly warned and Regularly Assembled on the 22nd day of May

1772 for Electing a Representative and others — Business as by warrant on file may more fully appear
The Question was Put wheather the Town would make choose of a Representative; and it Passed in the Negative
Voted that Nath^{ll} Brown Esqr be moderator to finish the remaining business.
Voted to Dismiss the Second Article in Sd Warrant —
Voted that Josiah Fairfield Esqr Nath^{ll} Brown Esqr & Mr Stephen Dodge be a Comt^{tee} to Purchase Gravell for the better Repairing the highways agreeable to the Request in Sd– warrant ——
Voted to Dismis the fourth article — —
Voted that the Selectmen be aCom^{ttee} to Seperate the List of Jurors ——
Then the moderator Declared the meeting to be Disolv'^{d}–
Attest William Fairfield Town Clerk
At a meeting of the Inhabitants of Wenham Duly warned and Regularly Assembled on the Second Day of September 1772 Nath^{ll} Brown Esqr was Chosen moderator.
Voted that Thomas Brown be a Selectman & Town Clerk for the present year in the Room of Doct^{r} William Fairfield who hath Resigned Sd offices —
Voted to Continue the School in the Town after the Same manner that it is now kept and hath been kept the two Last years — —
Voted that Peltiah Brown Stephen Dodge & John Friend be a School Com^{tee} in the Town for the present year
Voted to Raise one hundred & forty pounds to Defray the Charges of the Town the Current year
then the moderator Declar'd the meeting to be Dissolved.
Attest Thos Brown Town Clerk — —
at a meeting of the Select men of Wenham Novr 12th 1772 then agreed with Nath^{ll} Bragg to keep the widow Sarah Batcheller the term of one year next to come for the Consideration of the Sum of five pounds Six shillings & Eight pence money the one halfe of Sd Sum to be paid at the expiration of six months from this Date & the Town to be at the charge of Docters & Nursing in Case of Sickness, & the Sd Bragg is to find the sd widow with Sutiable meat Drink washing & Lodging During sd terme & to

make good the sd Widows Cloathing at the expiration of sd terme as they weir when he the sd Bragg first took her.

Nath[ll] Bragg

Caleb Kimball } Selectmen
Richard Dodge Jr } of
Tho[s] Brown } Wenham

Essex ss. We the Subscribers being appointed Surveyors of fences for this present year being by c[t] Jacob Dodge To appear at his Calves Pasture in Wenham So Called that was Lately belonging to Josiah White To Divide Fences with Peter Dodge We appeared at the Spott with the parties and Sett of To Capt. Jacob Dodge Sixteen Rods and a half Being at the Lower Corner of the Twenty Acres So called and Running To a Stake and Stones westerly To Land Late Belonging To Timothy Patch Then Turning Southerly Seven Rods To a Stake & Stones then To capt. Jacob Dodge Seven Rods To the End of the Line Between the parties on this Second Day of May 1767 as Witness our hands

Josiah Herrick Jr } fence Vewers of Wenham
Richard Dodge Jr }

Att a meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham Feb[r] 25th: 1773 then agreed with M[r] Eben[r] Kimball to keep the Widow Sarah Knowlton one of the Poor of this Town for the term of one year next to come for the consideration of five pounds two Shillings & eight pence and the Sd Kimball is to find the sd Widow with sutiable meat Drink washing and Lodging Dureing Sd terme. & the Town to pay for Doctrs and for Nursing in Case of Sickness. and the Sd Kimball to make the sd Widows cloathing as good at the end of sd terme as they shall be at the time of his Receiveing her.

Eben[r] Kimball

Caleb Kimball } Selectmen
Richard Dodge Jr } of
Tho[s] Brown } Wenham

An Inventory of cloathing & Household goods of the Widow Sarah Knowlton one of the Poor of this Town (viz)

one bed & bolster ne^{t} 4^{lb}/8/1/8 — —	1—12— 0
two Iron Potts 2/ one pair handirons 3/ —	0— 5— 0
one fire shovel & tongs 4/ three old chairs /8 one table — —	0— 6— 0
one bedsted & cord 4/ one under bed 1/ —	0— 5— 0
two Rugs 4/ one tramel 2/ one old gown —	0— 9— 0
one puter Dish /8 one old tray pitcher, mug & knife — —	0— 1— 8
one white apron one check ditto 8/ — —	0— 8— 0
one Chest — —	0— 5— 0
one gown 12/ two under garments 6/2½ —	0—18—2½
one bose wescoat 3/2 one undercoat 4/ —	0— 7— 2
one quilted coat 18/8 one check apron 4/—	1— 2— 8
two pair of stockings 3/ two low aprons 0/8	0— 3— 8
two handkerchiefs —2/2½ — —	0— 2—2½
	6— 4—11

The above Inventory taken by the Selectmen this first Day of March 1773 — —

At a meeting of the Selectmen May 3rd 1773 Then agreed with Mr Ebenez^{r} Kimball To Be Pound Keeper for the Ensuing year for the Lawfull fees pr. order of the Selectmen

Tyler Porter T. Clerk

At a meeting of The Inhabitants of Wenham Duly warned & Regularly Assembled at our Meeting House on The 2nd Day of March A Domini 1773— For The Election of Town Officers and other Business as pr warrant on File may more fully Appear ——

Nath^{ll} Brown Esqr Choosen moderator.

Caleb Kimball
Stephen Dodge } Selectmen
Doct^{r} Tyler Porter

Doct^{r} Tyler Porter Town Clerk

Ens^{n} Thos. Brown Town Treasurer

Jeames Kimball } Constables
Daniel Killam Jr

Deac^{n} Sam^{ll} Tarbox } Surveyors
Ens^{n} Thos Brown | of
Amos Batcheller } High Ways
Benj^{a} Edwards Jr |
Josiah Swett }
Moses Titcomb } Wardens
John Dodge Jr }
Amos Batcheller Sealer of Weights & Measurers—
Paltiah Brown Clerk of the Market
Josiah Ober } Sealers of
Daniel Killam Jr } Leather
John Rogers } Wood Corders or
Stephen Dodge } Corders of Wood
Matthew Fairfield } Surveyers
Richard Dodge Jr | of Fences
Ens^{n} Thos Brown }
Paltiah Brown }
John Rogers }
John Freind Jr. } Tythingmen
Caleb Coy }
Wm Webber |
Wm Parker } Hogreaves
Sam^{ll} Fairfield |
John Freind Jr }
Benj^{a} Freind } Dearreaves
Daniel Herrick }
John Dodge Jr }
Josiah Herrick |
Wm Cleaves |
Nath^{ll} Kimball Jr. | Field Drivers
Ebenez^{r} Kimball }
Moses Titcomb |
Paltiah Brown |
Cornelius Baker }

Voted the Clause in the Warrant Respecting Mr John Killams affair Be refered To The Selectmen To Settle with Him as they Shall Think Proper & make Return att the Next Town Metting ——

Essex March 2nd 1773

The Above Persons Were Sworn According To Law The

Day & Date above sd Except Sam[ll] Fairfield & W[m] Parker who were not Present.
By Nath[ll] Brown Justs of the Peace
The Transaction of the above meeting is Truly Recorded By me Tyler Porter Town Clerk

At a meeting of the Selectmen March 8th 1773 Then Augreed with Thos Senter To Be Sexton for the Term of one year from the Date above sd For which S[d] Senter is To Have the Sum of forty Shillings ——
At a meeting of the
Selectmen of Wenham
This 1st of April 1773

Tyler Porter
Caleb Kimball } Selectmen
Stephen Dodge

Then Agreed with Mr Matthew Fairfield To Keep Esther Bootman for the Space of one year for the Sum of Three Pound, one Shilling & four Pence and To Board her In his Fathers Family: In Case of Sickness The Town To Pay the Charge of Docters & Nurses Her Clothing To be made as Good as they were when Last Aprized. To which Agreement we Consent & are Content as Witness our hands.

Matthew Fairfield

Caleb Kimball
Step: Dodge } Selectmen
Tyler Porter

At a Legal Meeting of The Inhabitants of the Town of Wenham Duly warned & Regularly Assembled on this 19th of May 1773 — For Choosing or Electing a Representative & other Business as pr Warrant may Appear more fully &c ——
The Question was Put whether The Town would make choice of a Representative or not and it Passed in the Negative ——
Voted That Mr Benj[a] Fairfield Be Moderator To finish The Remaining Busniess.
Voted To Raise the Sum of fifty Pounds for Repairing high ways The Ensuing year.
Voted That M[r] John Killam Pay unto the Selectmen

or Town Treasurer Such a Sum of money as the Interest off Shall Amount annually To Eleven Shillings And Have a final Acquittance of the Land he is Obliged To Pay Rent for unto The Town ——

Voted To Choose a Committee of Correspondence from the Selectmen To Take under Consideration The Boston Letters & make Report The next meeting and that the above Committee Consist of five men.

Voted That messrs Edward Waldron, Benja Fairfield Tyler Porter Daniel Killam Jr. & Mr John Friend Be Constituents of Sd Committee

Voted That this meeting Be Adjourned To The Last wednesday in June att 3 o Clock P– m.

Attest T. Porter T. Clerk.

at a meeting of the Selectmen May 28th 1773 Then Settled with John Killam Agreable To the Vote of the Town as followeth — —

We The Subscribers Purseant To A Vote of The Town Passed Last Town meeting in May 1773 Do for our Selves and our Successors: For the Consideration of the Sum of Nine Pounds Three Shillings & 4d Acquit Discharge & Remiss unto Mr John Killam his Heirs & Assigns for evEr All & Every Parcel of Land That was formerly Leased unto Stephen Patch of Wenham By the Selectmen of Wenham as pr Lease may Appear on the Town Book Dated March 3th 1720/21 and for which the Sd Killam hath Paid yearly unto the Town the Sum of Eleven Shillings The Receit whereof we do Hereby Acknowledge our Selves fully Satisfied Dated at Wenham This 28th of May 1773 Attest Tyler Porter T. Clerk
Signed Sealed &cc Caleb Kimball } Selectmen
In Presence of Stephen Dodge } of
Nathll Brown Esqr } Wenham
Thos. Brown

At a Legal Meeting of the Freeholders and Inhabitants of the Town of Wenham on Wednesday the 19th Day of May 1773 Mr Benja Fairfield Being moderator The Following Votes were Passed (Viz) It was moved and voted that a Committee of Corespondance be Chosen To Consist of five men To Take under Consideration The Boston

Letters & Pamphlets Containd Therein Directed to the Town Clerk of Wenham whereupon The following Gentlemen were nominated & Chosen for the above mentioned Purposes, and to make Report at the Adjournment of this meeting (Viz) Messrs Benj^{a} Fairfield, John Friend Daniel Killam Jr. Tyler Porter & Edward Waldron

We The Subscribers Being a Committee appointed to Take under Consideration The Boston Letters from the Committee of Corespondence of S^{d} Town wherin are Inserted Certain Greiviances Having Maturely Considered The Same are of Opinion That The Right of the Colonist of this in Particular are Infring'd upon in many Instances & Therefore is a Great Greiviance To all his Majestys Loyal Subjects and has a Direct Tendency To the Destruction of our Happy Constitution.

We Shall not Desend into Particulars, they being So often Enumerated Before, But only mention Some of the most obvious (Viz) The Giving up our Chief fortress into The Hands of his Majestys Troops. over whom our Governour Saith he has no Power or Command & 2n^{d}ly The Appointing Sallaries To our Chief Justices at Home and That we are Denied The Priviledge of Choosing an Agent at Home and Thereby Rendred unable To Petition his majesty but by way of the Governour who Perhaps is the Very man we want to Petition Against we are farr from Being Easy under The Present administration of Government and Scituation of our Civil Rights & Priviledges and ardently wish they may be Redresed Speedily Having no Representative To Give Instrtuctions Too We Shall always be ready To join with the Town of Boston & others in all Constitutional methods To Preserve our Civil & Religious Priviledges Inviolate, and may That Almighty Being who Governs all Things in Infinite Mercy Preside in all Our Councils: & Direct To Such Mesures as he Himself Shall Approve off, and may we Ever be a People favoured of Heaven and may this Become Emmanuels Land.

Dated at Wenham June 30th 1773 — Signed by

The above Report was
accepted by a Great — Benj. Fairfield

majority and voted
that a Coppy be
Transmitted To the committee
of Carespondence in
Boston.

John Friend } Committee
Daniel Killam Jr. } A True Coppy
Tyler Porter } Attest.
Tyler Porter
Town Clerk

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of Wenham Duly Warned and Regularly Assembled on the 12th Day of Octobr Anno Domini 1773

Josiah Fairfield Esqr Chosen Moderator

Voted That The Sum of one Hundred & Twenty Pounds be Assessed, Collected & Paid into the Treasury for Defraying the Necessary Charges of the Town for the year Current ——

Voted To Continue a Grammar School for the year To Come in this Town & That Mess Daniel Killam Jr. John Dodge 3rd & Matthew Fairfield be a Committee To Provide for Sd School as usual — —

Voted The Selectmen Be a Committee To Seperate The Lists of Jurors Excepted by the Town, which List was Seperated by Sd Committee & Excepted by the Town at Sd meeting: Then the Moderator Declared the meeting Disolved and it was accordingly Dissolved ——

At at meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town Wenham Duely warned & Regurly Assembled at our meeting house on Monday the 8th of Novbr A. D. 1773 — Nathll Brown Esq Being Chosen moderator the following votes Passed (Viz)

That the Town will Give Mr Swain a Decent Burial for his wife Lately Decsd

Secondly to Choose a Committee of Three men To See that the Burial be Decent; and make Provision for the Same, and when So done To Lay their Accots Before the Town for Acceptance also that Messrs John Friend John Dodge & Tyler Porter be Constitieents of Sd Committee

and Voted the Jurrors for the Inferiour Court were Drawn and the Moderator Declared the meeting Disolved and it was So ——

At a meeting of The Selectmen of Wenham Nov^{br} 12th 1773. ——

Then Agreed with Nath^{ll} Bragg To Keep the Widow Sarah Batcheller for the Term of one year To Come for the Consideration of the Sum of Five Pounds Six Shillings & Eight Pence the one half To be Paid at the Expiration of Six months from the Date above; and the Town To be att the Charge of Docters & Nursing in Case of Sickness; & The S^{d} Bragg is To find the S^{d} Wid^{w} Sufficient Drink & Lodging & Washing During S^{d} Term and to make her clothing Good as when they were Aprized To him when he Took her.

£5==6==8 Nath^{ll} Bragg . Caleb Kimball, Stephen Dodge, Tyler Porter } Selectmen of Wenham

At A meeting of the Selectmen June 2nd 1774 Then Agreed with Ebeneze^{r} Kimball To be Pound Keeper for the Ensuing year for the Lawfull fees pr order of the Selectmen

Tyler Porter Town Clerk.

At a Meeting of The Inhabitants of the Town of Wenham Duely warned & Regularly Assembled at our meeting house on Tuesday the first Day of March A Domini 1774 for the Election of Town Officers & other Business as by warrant may more fully Appear.

Josiah Fairfield Esqr was Chosen moderator

Doct^{r} Tyler Porter, Stephen Dodge, Caleb Kimball } Selectmen

Doct^{r} Tyler Porter Town Clerk

Ens^{n} John Friend Town Treasuerer

Cornelius Baker, Ebenez^{r} Kimball, Deac^{n} Sam^{ll} Tarbox } Constables

Nath^{ll} Kimball Jr., Ens^{n} Thos. Brown, Captn Jacob Dodge } Surveyors of Highways

Mathew Fairfield ⎫ Surveyors
Sam[ll] Quarles ⎬ of
Josiah Sweat ⎭ Fences
John Rogers ⎫ Tythingmen
Josiah Ober ⎭
Josiah Sweat ⎫
W[m] Webber ⎬ Hogreifs
Frances Porter ⎭
Haffield White ⎫
Barthol[ow] Dodge ⎬ Dearriefs
John Perkins ⎭
Churchill Knowlton ⎫ Field
Nath[ll] Kimball Jr. ⎬ Drivers
Paltiah Brown ⎭
Mathew Fairfield ⎫
Ebenez[r] Kimball ⎭
Josiah Ober Sealler of Leather
Amos Batcheller Sealer of Weights & Measuers
Daniel Killam Jr. ⎫ Corders
Joshua Orne ⎬ of
Billy Porter ⎭ Wood
Cap[tn] Jacob Dodge ⎫
Serg[t] Tho[s] Kimball ⎭ Wardens

The above named Persons were Sworn To the Several offices the Day & Date above S[d] Except Stephen Dodge John Rogers Haffield White Batho[lw] Dodge Paltiah Brown Sworn Churchill Knowlten Billy Porter According To Law Tyler Porter Town Clerk

Voted that the Second Article in the warrant be Dismissed.

Voted To Take under Consideration the Boston Letters & That Mes[rs] Benj[a] Fairfield Ens[n] John Friend Edward Waldron Daniel Killam Jr. Doct[r] Tyler Porter Be a Committee To Take the Same under Consideration & Make Report To the Town At the next meeting.

Voted That the 4th & 5th Articles Be Dismised ——

Then the Moderator Declared the meeting Dissolved & it was accordingly Dissolved the Transactions of the meeting is Truely Recorded by me

Tyler Porter Town Clerk.

At a meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham March 7th 1774.

Then Agreed with Thos Senter To be Sexton for this Town the Space one year from the Date above for the Sum of Forty Shillings

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Tyler Porter, Caleb Kimball } Selectmen of Wenham

Att a meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham March 7th 1774

Then Agreed with Miriam Knowlton To Keep the widow Sarah Knowlton One of the Poor of this Town for the Space of one year from the Date hereof for the Sum of five Pounds Two Shillings & Eight Pence & the sd widw Miriam Knowlton is to find the Sd Widw Sarah Knowlton Sufficient meat Drink & Lodging & Washing, The Town to be at the Charge of a Docter and of nursing, in Case of Sickness; & the Sd Widw Miriam to make The Sd Widw Sarah Cloathing good as they were when she first Took her at the End of the year.

Miriam Knowlton

Caleb Kimball, Stephen Dodge, Tyler Porter } Selectmen of Wenham

Att a meeting of The Selectmen of Wenham this 4th Day of April 1774 —

Then Agreed with Mrs Rebekah Cole To keep Esther Bootman one of the Poor of this Town for the Space of one year from the Date above, for the Sum of Three Pounds: and the Sd Mrs Cole is to find the Sd Esther Sufficient meat Drink Washing & Lodging: and the Town is to Be at the Charge of a Docter & nursing in Case of Sickness: and the Sd Rebekah Cole Doth Engage To make the Sd Esthers Cloathing as Good at the years End as when She Receives her.

Rebekah Cole

Caleb Kimball, Stephen Dodge, Tyler Porter } Selectmen of Wenham

At a meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham August 8th 1774
Then Examined & Received the Town Stock of ammunition and we found one Barril of Powder Containing Between 40 & 50 Lb & 2C 1 Quarter Lb of Bullets & between 3 & 4 hundred flints.

Caleb Kimball } Selectmen
Stephen Dodge } of
Tyler Porter } Wenham

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Wenham Duly Warned & Regularly Assembled This 17th Day of May A. D. 1774 In order To Elect a Representative and other Business as pr warrant may fully appear. The Vote was Tried Three Times whether The Town would Send a Person To Represent Them at The General Court The Present year and it Passed in the Negative — —
Voted That Doct Tyler Porter be moderator To finish the Remaining Business.
Voted To Raise The Sum of fifty Pounds upon the Polls & Estates in This Town To men of the high ways for the year Current — — —
Voted To Purchase a Peice of Land of Theophilus Fisk To Repair Wenham Casway, & That Messrs Deacon Tarbox Ensn John Friend & Samll Quarles be a Committee To Purchase Sd Land & make Report to the Town at the next meeting Then the moderator Declar'd The meeting Dissolved & Accordingly it was Dissolved.
A True Entry Attest Tyler Porter — Clerk.

Att a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Wenham Duely warned & Regularly assembled on the 5th day of July 1774 Mr Benja Fairfield was Chosen moderator, and the following Votes were Passed (viz)
Voted 1st That The Town will Pay Their Proportionate Sum of money Granted by the General Court To the Committee of Congress with the Collonies.
Voted 2nd To Choose A Committee of five men To Take under Consideration the Boston Letters and make Report To the Town at their next meeting; and Messrs Billy Porter En John Friend Stephen Dodge Wm Cleaves &

Tyler Porter were Chosen for the Purposes afore mentioned. Then the meeting was adjourned to Tuesday The Second Day of August next att Three o-clock P. M. Attest T. Porter T. Clerk.

Att a Town meeting held by ajournment August 2nd 1774 Mr Benja Fairfield moderator, it was Voted To Ajourn Sd meeting to the Second Tuesday in Octobr next To 3 o Clock in P. M and Sd meeting was accordingly Ajourned by Benja Fairfield moderator. — —

At a Town meeting of the Inhabitants of The Town of Wenham duely warned and regularly Assembled on the 27th day of September Anno Domini 1774
For Electing a Representative and other Business as pr Warrant may Appear Mr Benja Fairfield was Elected by a majority, To Serve for & Represent The Town of Wenham in The Great and General Court To be holden at Salem on Wednesday the 5th day of Octobr next and during Their session and Sessions — as also To Join The other members in forming a Provincial Congress if need be.
Voted 2nly To Raise The Sum of one hundred and Twenty Pounds To Defray The necessary charges of the Town for the Ensuing year.—
3 Voted To Enlarge The Singers Seats in the front Gallery 3 feet further To the Left and Then Dr Tyler Porter Being Chosen moderator for sd meeting Declared The Same To be dissolved and Accordingly it was Dissolved.
Attest T. Porter T. Clerk

At a meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham Novbr 12th 1774 ——

Then Agreed with Mr Nathll Bragg To Keep the Widw Sarah Batcheller for the Space of one year To Come for the Sum of five Pounds Six Shillings & Eight pence. The one half To be paid in Six months. The other at The Expiration of the year. The Town to pay Docters and nursing in Case of Sickness; Said Bragg to find Sd Widw Sufficient meat Drink washing & Lodging and To make her clothing as good as when They were aprized To him.

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Caleb Kimball } Selectmen
Stephen Dodge } of
Tyler Porter } Wenham

At a Town meeting of The Inhabitants of The Town of Wenham Duely Warned & Regularly Assembled on Wednesday the 28th of Decbr 1774 For To See if the Town would Continue the School as heretofore and Comply with the Direction of the Congress &cc and for the Election of a new Delegate, and other Business as pr. Warrant may fully Appear Tyler Porter being Choosen moderator; the meeting was Ajourned To the 30th Day at 2 o'clock p. m at which Time They mett and Passed the following votes: (viz)

That The School Should be Continued another year As Heretofore. — — —

Voted That a Committee be Choosen of five men To Regulate The School and make such Alteration as They Shall think Best for the Benefit of The Town. Voted Messrs John Friend Matthew Fairfield John Dodge Ebezr Kimball & Tyler Porter be Constituents of Sd Committee To Comply with The Direction of the Provincial Congress &cc — —

Voted To Choose 5 men for a Committee To Take under Consideration the 3rd Article in the warrant and make report at the ajourment of this meeting and that Messrs Billy Porter John Dodge Stephen Dodge Thos Kimball & Mathew Fairfield be Constituents of Sd Committe

Voted To Choose one or more Persons To meet the Provincial Congress at Cambrige or Else where & Mr Benja Fairfield Choosen for the above Sd Purpose. Then The moderator Declar'd the meeting To be Ajourned To Monday The 16 Day of Janry next at 2 o clock P. m. at the meeting house Monday afternoon The day above Mentioned The Town Assembled & pasd the following votes (viz) That There be a Contribution upon the Provincial Congress Recommendation for The Poor in the Town of Boston ——

Voted To Accept the Report of the Committee Chosen To Take under Consideration the 3 article in the warrant which is as followeth (Viz)

That 15 men be Raised as minute men and that Each man Shall have one Shilling for Every half day he Shall

be mustered by his officers To Exerzise after he is Inlisted or Eight Shillings pr. month, and That Each mans pay Begin the first of Frebruary and Continue To the Last of March next — —

Voted To Choose A Committee of Three men To Draw Articles & To Enlist the men.

Mes^{rs} Billy Porter Richard Dodge Jr. & Mathew Fairfield be a Committe for The Above mentioned Purposes—

Voted That The Sum of Ten Pounds Annexed as a Pennalty or forfiture for Each man That Shall Enlist as minute man and not be acquipped and attend S^{d} Service according To The Directions of his Officers and Each man Shall Be Continued in pay During The Towns pleasure at Eight Shillings pr month

Then the moderator Declared the meeting Dissolved.

A True Entry of the minutes Tyler Porter T. Clerk

At a meeting of The Selectmen Jan^{ry} 10th 1775 The following is a True Acco^{t} of what Belonged To The Wid^{w} Sarah Knowlton Decs^{d} One of The Poor of This Town according as The Articles were Sold at a Publick Vendue by The Selectmen of Wenham The dav above—

Tyler Porter Vend^{ue} Master

	L	S	D
To The Wid^{w} Miriam Knowlton 1 gown, 3 Aprons 2 handkerchiefs Two pair of Stockings one under coat & one Shift	1	7	1½
To Jon^{a} Kent 2 Iron Potts 10/d & fire Shovel 2/d	0	3	4
To Wid^{w} Miriam Knowlton 2 pair of hand irons & 1 pair of Tongs 2 old Chairs & 1 Table on Tramel Bed stead & cord & 1 white apron	0	15	8
To Caleb Coy one feather bed & bolster a 1/d pr Lt Wig^{ht} 47½ Lb one under bed 1/6 1 Tray mug Plate knife & fork /8 1 Rug 4/d one Coverlead 8/d	3	1	8
To Wm Cleaves 1 Gown 8/5 1 Black Whood & fan 1/2 & 3 night caps 10/4 one Chest 5/7	0	15	6
To Wid^{w} Miriam Knowlton 1 Quilted Coat 10/7	0	10	7

To Ammi Knowlton 1 Coat/8 — — 0=0=8
To Mr[s] Williams Stayes & pocket /4
To Tyler Porter 1 pair of mitts /2 — 0=0=7½

6=15=2

A True Copy from the Original
Tyler Porter T Clerk

At a Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Wenham Duely Warned and Regularly Assembled at one meeting on Teusday The Seventh Day of March Anno Domini 1775 for the Election of Town Officers & Other Business as by Warrant one file may fully appear Ens[n] John Friend Being Chosen Moderator The following Persons were Chosen viz)

Doct[r] Tyler Porter } Selectmen
M[r] Caleb Kimball } Sworn
M[r] Stephen Dodge } Assessors

Doct[r] Tyler Porter Town Clerk Sworn
Ens[n] John Friend Town Treasurer Sworn

M [r]Edward Waldron } Sworn
Cornelius Baker } Constables

Josiah Ober }
Josiah Herrick } Surveyors
Palatiah Brown } of Sworn
Richard Dodge J[r] } highways

Edward Waldron } Surveyors
John Dodge } of fences
Moses Titcomb } Sworn

Richard Friend } Tythingmen
Joshua Orne } Sworn

Josiah Sweat }
Daniel Herrick } Hogriefs Sworn
Corneilus Baker }

Tho[s] Fisk & Caleb Coy Dearieffs

Josiah Herrick }
Ebenez[r] Kimball } Haywards Sworn
Haffield White }
W[m] Webber }

Josiah Ober Sealer of Leather Sworn
Amos Batcheller Sealer of Weig^{ht} & measures Sworn
Daniel Killam J^{r} } Sworn
Joshua Orne & Billy Porter } Corders of Wood

Peter Dodge } Wardens.
John Rogers }

Voted To Choose a Committe To Seat the meeting House of fivemen

C^{tn} Jacob Dodge
Decon Sam^{ll} Tarbox
En Thos Brown Stephen Dodge } Constituents of S^{d} Committe
John Dodge at the pond

Voted To Continue Mr Swains Contribution Every Sabbath Then the Moderator Declared the meeting Disolved, and it was So The Transactions of The foregoing meeting is Truely Recorded p^{r} me

Tyler Porter Town Clerk

At a meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham March 13th 1775

Then Agreed with Thos Senter To be Saxton in this Town for the Space of one year from the Date above for the Sum of Two pounds as witness our hands

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Thos × Senter
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Tyler Porter } Selectmen of Wenham

At a Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Wenham Duely Warned by Notification & Regularly assembled this 31^{t} of March 1775 Josiah Fairfield Esqr Being Choosen moderator the

The following votes were passed (viz)

To accept Corneilus Baker ins-stead of Ephraim Kimball to Serve Constable for the year 1775

Voted To Accept The Committes Return of the Number & Names of Minute Men Which is as followeth & To Continue Them in pay During the Towns pleasure They

being To meet & Exeerise one half Day in a week for the future

John Friend J^r
Abraham Brown
Ebenez^r Batchellor
Israel Batchellor
George Dwinell
Nath^ll Gott
Ebenez^r Kimball
Israel Andr^w Dodge
Francis Porter
Asa Porter
Nath^ll Ober
Josiah Ober J^r
Sam^ll Ober
Amos Knowlten
Isaac Porter

Richard Dodge J^r
Billy Porter
Mathew Fairfield
} Committe

A True Entry Attest
Tyler Porter Clerk
Then the moderator
Declared the meeting
To be Disolved, &cc

At a meeting of The Inhabitants of The Town of Wenham Duely Warned & Regularly Assembled on the 22nd day of May 1775 — Mr Benj^a Fairfield was Chosen a member To Represent This Town in a Provincial Congress To be held at Water Town for the Space of Six months from The 31st of May 1775 and no Longer mr John Friend Cho. Moderator

Voted To Choose a Committee of Safety of five persons To Gaurd against our Enemies & Mes^rs Caleb Kimball Tyler Porter Daniel Killam J^r Stephen Dodge & Thos Kimball be Constituents of S^d Committe To Conduct as they Think Best for the Safety of The Town The 3rd article in the Warrant Committed To The Selectmen The article Respecting the highways Dismissed, for the present

Voted To Abate Isaac Patches Rates for the year 1759. Then the moderator Mr John Friend Declared the meeting Dissolved & accordingly it was So ——

A True Entry attest T. Porter T. Clerk

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Wenham This 6th of July 1775 Duly Warned & Regularly Assembled Mr Benj^a Fairfield

Mr Benj[a] Fairfield was Chosen To Represent this Town in a Gener[l] Assembly To be held at Wartertown

a True Entry Tyler Porter T. Clerk

Voted To Commit The Secound Article Respecting apiece of Land in the highway To the Selectmen and the moderator Declared the meeting Disolved — —

Att a meeting of The Selectmen of Wenham Octo[br] 30th 1775 Then Agreed with M[r] Andrew Cole of Sd Town To Take & Keep Esther Boatmen one of the poor of This Town for the Space of Six months from the 6th of Oct. 1775 for the Sum of Two pounds five Shillings & four pence During which Term The Sd And[rew] Cole is To find the S[d] Esther Boatman Sufficient meat Drink Washing & Lodging, and to make her Cloathing good as when aprized, The Town To pay Docters & nursing in Case of Sickness

In Witness Whereunto we Interchangeably Sett our hands The Day & Date above

Andrew Cole, Caleb Kimball, Tyler Porter } Selectmen of Wenham

At a meeting of The Inhabitants of the Town of Wenham Regularly Assembled on Tuesday the 7th of Nov[br] 1775 Mr John Friend Was Chosen moderator and The following votes were passed (viz)

1. Voted To Dismiss the Request from Gloucester & the Selectmen To Write a Letter To Capeann

2[ndly] Voted To Give Beverly One hundeeds Days work and each man to be allowed Three Shillings pr Day producing a Certificate from The oversears at Beverly:

3[rdly] Voted To Raise one hundred and forty pounds To Defray The Charge of the Town for the Ensuing Year Then the moderator Declared the meeting Dissolved

A True Entry Tyler Porter T. Clerk

At a meeting of the Selectmen of Wenham Nov[br] 12th 1775 Then Agreed with Mr Nath[ll] Bragg To Keep the Wid[w] Sarah Batcheller For the Space of one year To Come for the Sum of Six pounds thirteen Shillings and four pence the one half to be paid in Six months the

other to Be paid at the Expiration of S^{d} Term; the Sd Nath^{ll} Bragg To find the S^{d} Wid^{w} Batcheller Sufficient meat Drink Washing & Lodging & To make her Clothing good as when aprized to him the Town To pay the Charge of Doct^{rs} and Nursing in Case of Sickness as witness our hands this 12th of Nov^{ber} 1775

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Nath^{ll} × Bragg
mark

Caleb Kimball
Stephen Dodge } Selectmen
Tyler Porter

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